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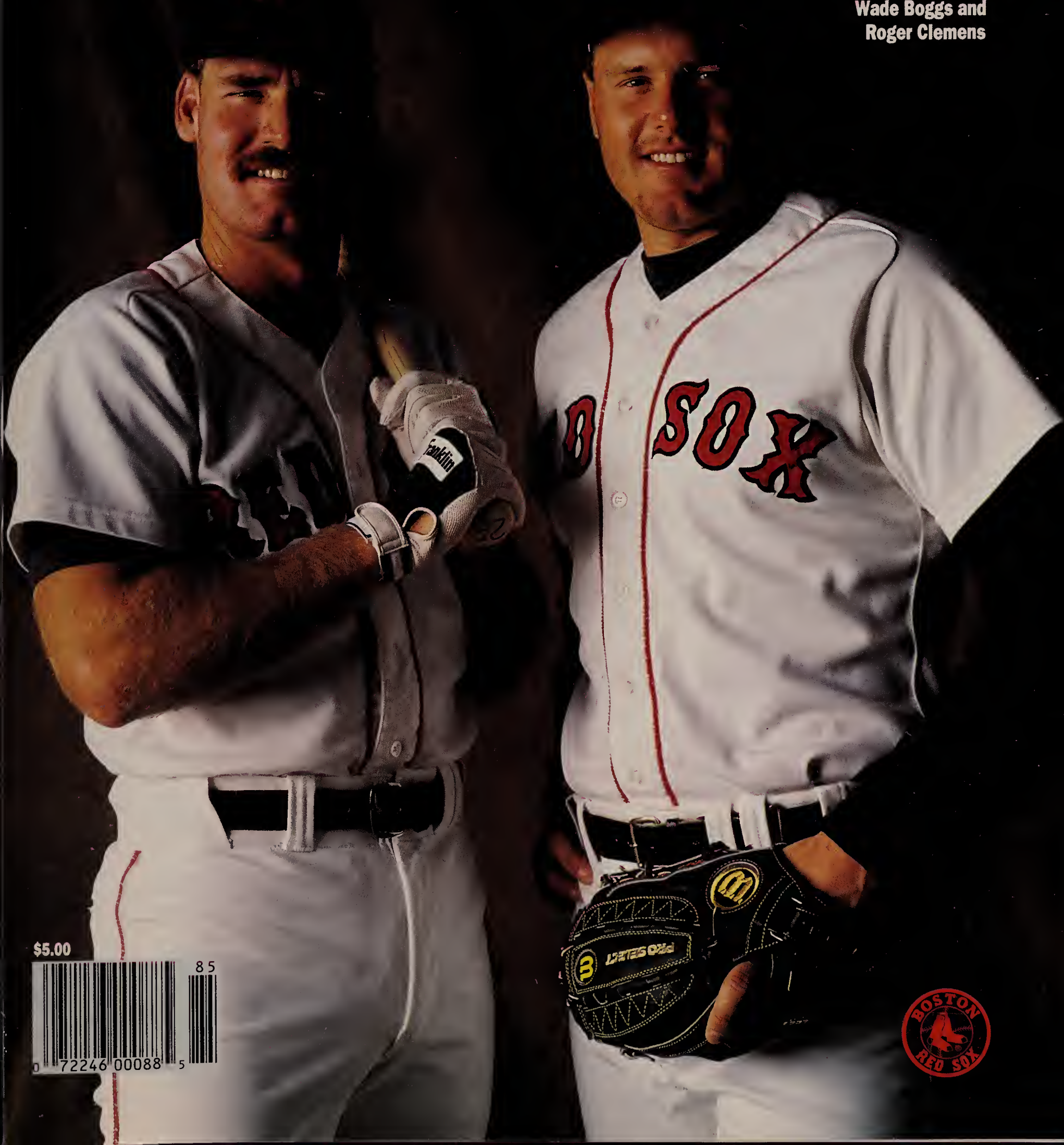
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In 1987 Red Sox fans were introduced to the "magnificent seven" rookies – Todd Benzinger, Tom Bolton, Ellis Burks, Mike Greenwell, Sam Horn, John Marzano, and Jody Reed. Get to know them in "Fast Lane to Fenway," a special story which traces their lives and athletic development from Little League to Yawkey Way.

You'll also enjoy the profiles and original portrait photography of every Sox player. In keeping with the youthful theme of 1988, the pro scout who signed each of these current Sox comments on his first impressions of his "recruits."

Finally, the Yearbook takes a look at what 1988 may hold in store for the Sox by examining the past. It seems that in every year ending in the number eight something *crazy* happens to the Red Sox. The "Crazy Eights" feature story casts a nostalgic glance, in words and photos, to those other weird and wonderful "eight" years and asks, "What can happen next?"

Whatever, it's bound to be fun. Join in!



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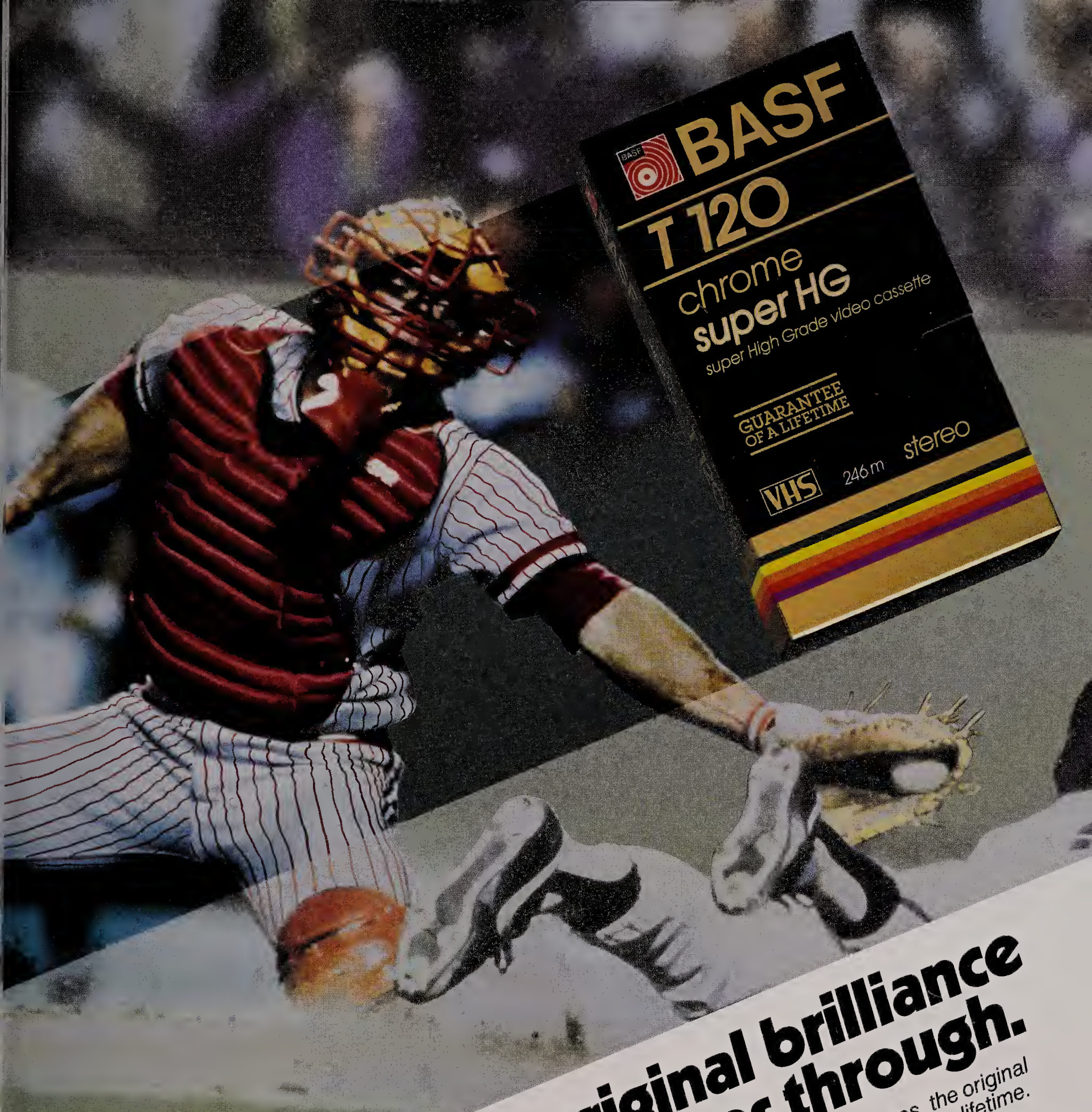
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Jean R. Yawkey is a general partner and president of the Red Sox, a position she has held for the past 13 years. Mrs. Yawkey succeeded her husband, Tom, as president in 1976. A Red Sox enthusiast, she attends virtually every home game in her familiar rooftop box, where for years she watched by her husband's side.



Tom Yawkey was the sole owner of the team for 44 seasons, longer than any one owner in history. He transformed the Red Sox from one of baseball's weakest franchises to among the healthiest, while creating a New England institution. He also rebuilt Fenway Park into a charming and cozy landmark.

Mrs. Yawkey holds the distinction of being the first woman to be elected a director of the Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum in Cooperstown, NY.

Haywood C. Sullivan is a Red Sox general partner and the club's chief executive officer/chief operating officer. He was named to that position in June, 1984 after having served since October, 1977 as executive vice president and general manager in charge of baseball matters. He was also a principal in the group that purchased the club from the Yawkey estate in May, 1978.

Sullivan, 56, is a baseball success story – a one-time reserve catcher who rose from dugout to ownership of the team.

Following two years of Army service with the 82nd Division, 101st Airborne and Adjutant General Corps in 1953-55, Sullivan was plagued by an aching back that eventually required disc surgery in 1958. The 6'4", 210-pounder played in only 60 games over parts of four seasons for the 1955-57 and '59-'60 Red Sox before retiring to manage in the minors. Two seasons later he was back with the Kansas City A's as their manager in 1965, leaving at year's end to rejoin the Red Sox as a vice president in charge of player personnel – at age 35, one of baseball's youngest top executives.



Within a year, after eight sub-.500 seasons, the Red Sox became contenders and have remained so under the leadership of Sullivan, an architect of Boston's exciting 1967, 1975 and 1986 pennant-winners. Sullivan was named the American League's top executive in 1981 in a poll by United Press International.

Sullivan is a member of the Major Leagues' Restructuring Committee and Long-Range Planning Committee and is on the board of directors of the American League. He served on the majors' Executive Council for four years and is also a trustee of the Jimmy Fund.

James (Lou) Gorman is running the Red Sox baseball operations for the fifth year. On June 5, 1984 he was promoted to vice president and general manager. He came to the club from the N.Y. Mets on February 1, 1984 when he was named vice president and director of baseball operations. In 1986, Gorman's trade moves and roster building came to fruition for the Red Sox as they won the A.L. pennant for the first time since 1975.

Coming to Boston was a return to his roots for Gorman, who grew up in Providence, RI as a "dyed in the wool" Red Sox fan. Lou graduated from LaSalle Academy in Providence, earned his A.B. degree at Stonehill College in No. Easton, MA, and his Master's Degree in Education at Bridgewater State in Bridgewater, MA. He also attended Georgetown University in Washington, DC to obtain a Master's Degree in English.

Just prior to joining the Red Sox, Gorman spent 3 1/2 years with the Mets as vice president and director of baseball operations. During his tenure with the Mets the franchise developed outstanding major league talent like Darryl Strawberry, Dwight Gooden, and Ron Darling. The Mets were also honored with back-to-back awards as the Major League Organization of the Year.



Lou serves on the Major League Amateur Study Committee, the Major League College and High School Committee, and is a member of the Board of Directors of the Major League Scouting Bureau. He is also on the board of visitors of Massachusetts Maritime Academy, the board of advisors at Stonehill College, and the Science/Management Council at Bridgewater State College.

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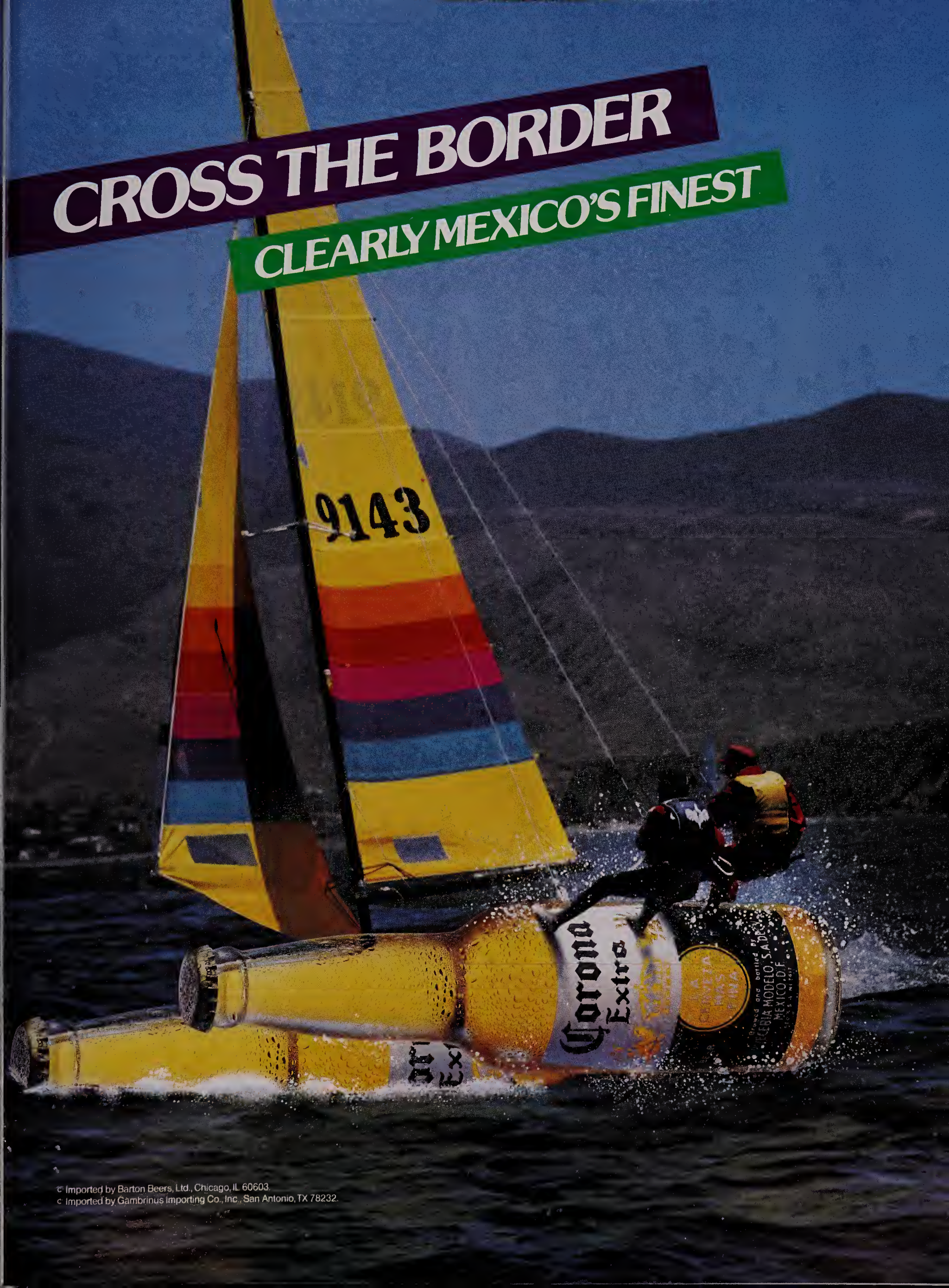
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RED **1** SOX

First baseball hero? Mickey Cochrane. **Most amazing thing you've ever seen in a ballgame?** Catfish Hunter's perfect game. **If you weren't in baseball, what would you be in?** Law enforcement. **What do you want for your birthday in 1988?** Continued health and world peace.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: Too many to list just one. **Thing about Fenway:** Joe Mooney and his grounds crew. **Non-sports topic of conversation:** My grandson. **Way to spend an off-season weekend:** At home. **Recording artist:** Neil Diamond. **Thing on which to waste money:** Taking taxis when I could walk. **Family activity:** Relaxing at home.



BILL FISCHER

PITCHING COACH

RED **34** SOX

Prettiest play in baseball? Taking a home run away with a great catch. **What would you change about baseball?** Nothing. **If you weren't in baseball, what would you be in?** I'd be a game warden. **If you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be?** The seventh game of the 1986 A.L. playoffs.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: Anthony's Pier 4. **Thing about Fenway:** The scoreboard. **Non-sports topic of conversation:** Hunting. **Way to spend an off-season weekend:** Hunting. **Recording artist:** Kenny Rogers. **Thing on which to spend money:** Horse racing track. **Family activity:** Going to the beach.

WALT HRINIAK

HITTING INSTRUCTOR

RED **33** SOX

First baseball hero? Mickey Mantle. **Most amazing thing you've ever seen in a ballgame?** Wade Boggs hitting day in and day out. **If you weren't in baseball, what would you be in?** Teaching and coaching in high school or college. **If you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be?** The three rounds that Marvin Hagler and Thomas Hearns fought.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: Charley's. **Non-sports topic of conversation:** My daughter, Jill. **Way to spend an off-season weekend:** Going to the mountains of New Hampshire or Vermont. **Recording artist:** Dionne Warwick. **Family activity:** Skiing.



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JOE MORGAN

THIRD BASE COACH

RED **35** SOX

First baseball hero? Ted Williams. **M**ost amazing thing you've ever seen in a ballgame? A shortstop covering first base for a putout on a successful squeeze play. **W**hat would you change about baseball? Make the games shorter. **I**f you weren't in baseball, what would you be in? I'd be a dentist.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: Lafayette House. **T**hing about Fenway: Many day games. **N**on-sports topic of conversation: The weather. **W**ay to spend an off-season weekend: Going to Cape Cod. **R**ecording artist: Willie Nelson. **T**hing on which to waste money: Megabucks. **F**amily activity: Dining out.



AL BUMBRY

FIRST BASE COACH

RED **37** SOX

First baseball hero? Jackie Robinson. **I**f you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be? Martin Luther King's "I have a dream" speech in Washington, DC. **W**hat do you want for your birthday in 1988? The winning lottery number.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: Commonwealth Grill. **T**hing about Fenway: Fan intimacy. **N**on-sports topic of conversation: Current events. **W**ay to spend an off-season weekend: Skiing at Sunny Resort. **R**ecording artist: Grover Washington. **T**hing on which to waste money: Traveling. **F**amily activity: Family reunions.

RAC SLIDER

BULLPEN COACH

RED **36** SOX

First baseball hero? Stan Musial. **M**ost amazing thing you've ever seen in a ballgame? When four umpires can't make a decision. **W**hat would you change about baseball? Have the DH in either both leagues or neither league. **I**f you weren't in baseball, what would you be in? I'd be a carpenter or a rancher.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: 57. **T**hing about Fenway: Everyone can see. **N**on-sports topic of conversation: Cattle. **W**ay to spend an off-season weekend: Doing much of nothing. **R**ecording artist: Mo Bandy.



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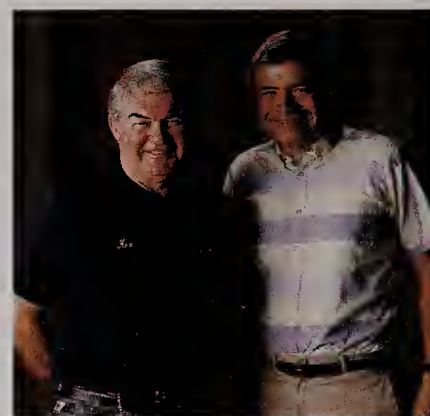
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THE VOICES OF THE SOX

For the sixth straight year, the radio broadcasting team of Ken Coleman and Joe Castiglione hosts Sox games on the Campbell Sports Network.

Coleman, with more than 37 years of broadcasting experience, has been with the Red Sox on radio and television for 19 years. His career began with the old Rutland (VT) Royals of the defunct Northern League and continued with the Cleveland Indians (A.L.) and Cleveland Browns (NFL). Coleman, a native of Quincy, MA, joined Boston in 1966, and except for a three-year (1975-78) stint with the Cincinnati Reds and the Ohio State football team, has been with the Sox ever since.



Campbell's Ken Coleman and Joe Castiglione

Castiglione, also a New Englander (Hamden, CT), began his major league career in 1979 in Cleveland and became the Indians' backup radio man the next year. He did TV play-by-play for the Milwaukee Brewers in 1981 and the Indians in 1982 before coming to the Red Sox.

Former second baseman Jerry Remy returns to the Red Sox family in 1988 for his rookie broadcasting season as NESN color analyst alongside play-by-play man Ned Martin. Remy, from Fall River, MA, was traded to Boston from California in December 1977. He had his best year with the Sox in 1978,



NESN's Jerry Remy and Ned Martin

batting .278, scoring 87 runs and stealing 30 bases. Along the way he posted a career-high 19-game hitting streak and was chosen to the All-Star team. Remy spent eight years in Boston and compiled a .275 lifetime average before a nagging knee injury precipitated his retirement during spring training of 1986.

Veteran Ned Martin enters his 28th Red Sox season in 1988, making his the second-longest broadcasting tenure with one team (behind Ernie Harwell of the Tigers). In 1961, after hosting minor league games early in his career, Martin joined Curt Gowdy on Boston radio. He moved to TV-38 in 1979, and then to NESN in 1984.

Color analyst Bob Montgomery and play-by-play announcer Sean McDonough form 1988's TV-38 broadcasting duo. 1988 is Montgomery's sixth year with the station, although his Red Sox ties stretch much farther back. He joined the Sox' minor league system in 1962, made it to the majors in 1970, and was a top defensive catcher in Boston until an arm injury shortened his playing career. After his retirement in 1980, he did some Red Sox game announcing and a local radio talk show before teaming up with Ned Martin and TV-38 in 1982 as game analyst.

McDonough is a popular local sports host whose current shows include TV-38's "38 on Sports" and "Bruins Hockey." He made his broadcasting debut with three years of radio play-by-play for the Toronto Blue Jays' AAA team in Syracuse, NY, then came to Boston as a sideline reporter for PBS's "Ivy League Football Game of the Week." McDonough hosted NESN's "Red Sox Digest" and "Red Sox Weekly," and for the past three years, has also worked as a sports reporter as well as half-time and post-game host of "Patriots Football."



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by Nick Cafardo



Ellis Burks, Mike Greenwell, and Todd Benzinger.

The Sox' own version of "The Magnificent Seven" hit town last year, a group of rookies widely acclaimed as the best in the major leagues. Todd Benzinger, Tom Bolton, Ellis Burks, Mike Greenwell, Sam Horn, John Marzano and Jody Reed took vastly different routes, but from the time they were old enough to pick up a baseball bat and ball, each was on the

Fast Lane to Fenway

Such humble beginnings: from the glass- and rock-filled neighborhood fields of South Philadelphia to the backyard broomball games of Central Florida to sun-drenched sandy lots of southern California. Days of grounders screeching through unresponsive legs, of little chance of reconciling ball and bat. Nights filled with dreams of heroes — Tom Seaver, Pete Rose, George Brett, and even Freddie Patek.

To Red Sox fans they are "The Magnificent Seven" — young, exciting, accomplished full-grown baseball players, capable of inspiring dreams and fantasies of their own. But to each other, Todd Benzinger, Tom Bolton, Ellis Burks, Mike Greenwell, Sam Horn, John Marzano, and Jody Reed, are still kids playing games.

At age eight, John Marzano was an undistinguished outfielder in South Philly's Pioneer League. "I was like the worst player on the team that first year," he admits. "I played rightfield and that was because they were trying to hide me. I remember a fly ball was hit to me and it hit me right on top of the head. I was really embarrassed and I was driven to get better after that."

Marzano pushed himself to become less of a hazard in the field. Eventually he started playing the more "skilled" positions such as third base, shortstop and pitcher. His work paid off. At 12, his last year in the Pioneer League, Marzano pitched five no-hitters and three one-hitters. He hit .768. All of a sudden the roly-poly little Italian kid was the neighborhood star.

"It seemed like he was always playing baseball," recalls his father, John Sr., not long before his sudden death this past winter. "That's what he loved to do the most and we never discouraged it as parents."

Reed, too, knows all about taking his lumps as a novice to the game. He was 11 (a shortstop, of course) when a line drive hit him square in the nose.

"I remember Jody telling me before that season began that he didn't want me running out to the field if something happened to him," his mother, Barbara Stange, relates. "He didn't want to be embarrassed and I had the tendency to always make sure he was alright."

"The day the ball hit him he was laying on the field for the longest time and he wasn't moving. I was very

concerned and I wasn't about to sit there. So I dashed out to the field and Jody was laying there and he looked up to me and said, 'What took you so long, Mom?'"

Burks recalls being regularly snubbed by his older friends in pick-up games in Vicksburg, Mississippi.

"They'd tell us to get lost, but my cousin and I used to watch and we started loving the game," Burks says. "So instead of playing with the older kids, we'd play our own game, usually hitting rocks and seeing who could hit them the farthest."

Greenwell was an intense and restless little ballplayer. His interest in the game started when he was six, watching Saturday afternoon baseball on TV.

"I remember vividly my older brothers coming home from Little League and not knowing how to put their stirrups on. Well, I'd seen the major leaguers on TV and knew exactly how they were supposed to be worn, so I'd show the older kids," Greenwell grins.

Horn was a large eight-year-old who stumbled across baseball with a pal one day coming home from school in the San Diego area.

"We watched the game for awhile and we decided it was fun. So we both signed up for Little League and my first team was the Vikings. I didn't do that well the first year, but I got better," he says.

Bolton, it seems, was always tall and lanky, even as a nine-year-old player in the suburban Nashville Dixie League.

"I remember at the tryouts the coach would stand in the middle of a circle (which we made around him) and everyone would throw the ball to him as hard as they could. I always threw the hardest, so I was the pitcher. Except for playing first base a little in high school, I

always pitched," he recalls.

Benzinger grew up in New Richmond, Ohio, a Cincinnati suburb, during the zenith years of the Big Red Machine. His father taught him to switch-hit, à la Pete Rose, when Todd was three.

"I saw all the home movies and there I was holding the bat both ways. I kept with it throughout my baseball years. I know my dad tried to get my brothers to switch-hit and they did it for awhile, but then they went to their natural side. I know I was a natural righthanded hitter, but the Rose influence then was really something."



Burks was his high school team's best hitter and pitcher.



Each of the seven eventually became "really something." Burks, Reed and Greenwell were primarily shortstops. Benzinger was an outfielder, pitcher, shortstop, third baseman and first baseman. Marzano played mostly third until he was converted to catcher his senior year of high school. Horn was a first baseman and pitcher.

Burks, the author of 20 home runs and 27 stolen bases in his rookie season in Boston, did not play his first organized baseball until he was 13. His family moved from Jackson, Mississippi to Ft. Worth, Texas, and it was there that Ellis, fleet-footed even then, started his career.

"It was 1977 and a friend of mine tried to sign up for Little League but it was too late. So we signed up in another league in Forest Hills. I joined the Indians and we finished second that year. I played shortstop, even though I really wanted to play second base," Burks says.

It took him two years to belt his first home run.

"It was right down the line in left. I was batting fifth that year and I hit that one pretty good."

Burks always felt he was behind the other kids because he started playing so late.

"I was always trying to catch up and I'd try to do a lot because I wanted to get as good as the other kids. But by the time I was a sophomore I was determined to be good," he recalls. "I loved baseball and I was determined to devote a lot of time to it."

Burks' size, however, hindered him throughout his development.

"I was always skinny and usually the smallest kid on my team. I started to grow in my junior year in high school and by the time I was a senior I was about six feet and 155 pounds."

He made the varsity as a sophomore at Ft. Worth's O.D. Wyatt High, moving right in as the starting shortstop. In his first play, he made a diving catch of a screeching liner. Wyatt, led by Burks' team-high .422 average, won the district high school playoffs. The star infielder then broke some hearts by transferring to Everman High for his final two years.

At that juncture in his career, Burks was also an outstanding pitcher. He was 9-1 as a senior and had his best

game against Arlington High, tossing a two-hitter and striking out 11. He was gunned at 85 miles an hour and complemented his heater with a nasty curve. In the pitching department, though, he was overshadowed by a teammate named Jackie Davidson (a future Cubs number one draft pick), who went 16-2 the same year.

Unlike Burks, Mike Greenwell devoted himself to the game at an early age. He claims to be a self-taught hitter and one of the best Little League pitchers in North Ft. Myers, FL history. But like Burks, Benzinger, and Reed, he overcame a size problem.

"I was always the smallest guy on the team and people used to tease me, but I was always one of the best players. I always played with kids older than me and I always tried to do as well as they did. I think that made me a better player in the long run."

Greenwell's pitching idol was Tom Seaver, with whom he would later play on the 1986 Red Sox American League pennant-winning team. As a 12-year-old Little Leaguer, Greenwell struck out 154 batters in a season, a record still



As a high school sophomore in Florida Greenwell hit .544.

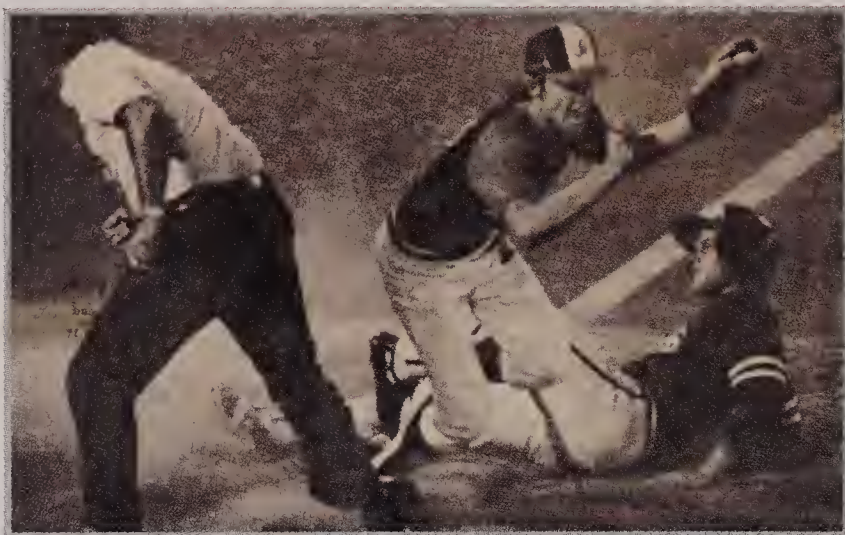
intact in his hometown.

"I always thought I'd be a pitcher, but I could hit so well that they made me a third baseman," he says. His model for hitting was George Brett — a lefthanded hitting third sacker like Greenwell.

"It was weird when I came up to the big leagues and the first time I stood on third base, there next to me was Brett. That sent a little tingle down my spine."

Greenwell credits the constant encouragement from his father as one of the reasons he was so driven.

"He always believed in me. He'd say, 'Good job, Mike,'



Originally a third baseman, Greenwell's first hero was George Brett.

all the time. I remember one day I had three hits, but the fourth time up, I lined out. He said, 'Well, you did fine the first three times up, but you didn't get that fourth one.' I always wanted to please him and that made me try harder."

Greenwell admits he was a fiery kid and his temper sometimes got the best of him. He says it wasn't until his second year of pro baseball, when minor league manager Bill Slack finally convinced him to calm down and use his energy in more positive ways, that he was able to harness it.

"I was 11 years old, playing Little League and I was a real competitor even then. I was standing on the mound one day and fans from the other team started heckling me. I started crying, they were on me so bad," he recalls.

"During one game a pitcher hit me with a ball and I fell. I remember his father laughing at me. I could hear him in the stands. When his kid came up, I hit him intentionally. I wasn't a little angel."

By the time he got to high school, Greenwell was starting to grow. He was a defensive back and quarterback on the football team. Greenwell led his baseball team to the state finals his sophomore year with a state-leading .544 average, then hit six home runs in seven playoff games.

He also pitched three no-hitters in his career. In one game he struck out 15 on his way to tossing a no-hitter and going 3-for-3 with a walk. His high school uniform #2 has been retired.

"I always had the good hand-eye coordination," Greenwell remembers. "Hitting came naturally."

He was dating Tracy Greer as a sophomore and less than two years later, after his graduation from North Ft. Myers High, they married.

"She believed in me," says Greenwell. "I kept telling her when I was a sophomore that I'd be a big leaguer. She never said, 'Ah, be quiet.' We laugh about it now."

Up the road in Brandon, FL, Jody Reed was the tiniest of them all. He and his two brothers were raised by their mother, a single parent. Their backyard often served as the neighborhood baseball diamond.

"There were eight to 10 guys my age in the neighborhood and we'd always get the whiffle ball bats out and have a game of home run derby or something," Reed reminisces. "Sometimes we'd use tennis balls and broom sticks."

He'd fantasize about being a major leaguer and because of his height, Kansas City Royals shortstop Freddie Patek was the player he liked most.

"He was the shortest guy in the major leagues (5'4"), but I liked watching him because he was a scrappy little player. He didn't let his size dictate anything. He got the most of what he was given and that's all you could ever ask for," Reed says.

A successful Colt and Pony League player, Reed made the Brandon High varsity team as a sophomore. He broke



in as a second baseman because he "couldn't throw the ball across the field from shortstop." He did play shortstop his final two years and was one of the best players in his area.

In high school, he faced future major leaguers Dwight Gooden and Floyd Youmans — half of the starting rotation at neighboring Hillsborough. Reed recalls being fairly successful against Gooden.

"I remember getting a few hits against him. Heck, he was throwing 90 mph then. I had good bat control, so I was able to at least get my bat on the ball against Dwight. That whole staff was unbelievable. You could tell then that Gooden was something special," Reed says.

Reed was 5'5" and 130 pounds after his senior year. Playing professional baseball was hardly an option. No one even scouted the shortstop, let alone drafted him.

He did receive a scholarship, however, to Manatee Jr. College. There, he grew a few inches and put on some weight. And though he feared no fastball or slider, he was in a panic one summer afternoon.

"Jody always had a fear of snakes," his mother recalls. "While he was at his position at shortstop one started to squirm over to the third base bag. Jody just trucked it for the dugout. His brother had to go out to remove the snake before Jody dared take his position."



Benzinger (inset and back row, #16) was more than just another face in the crowd.

Todd Benzinger got the earliest start of all the future teammates. At age five, he joined the Knot Hole League, a baseball program for young kids in the Cincinnati area.

"I was always one of the better players, but I was real skinny. But I wouldn't say I was *the* best," he admits.

Benzinger lacked some speed and power, but he made

At every age, Reed's destiny was clear.

good contact and as a pitcher, "had one of the best knuckleballs a 10-year-old could ever have."

When he was no longer eligible for Knot Hole ball, Benzinger tried out for the best 16-year-old team in Cincinnati. The team played in the tri-state area — Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana. In Cincinnati, it was a prestigious team to make.

Benzinger not only made it, he became its MVP.

"I played first base on that team and Barry Larkin (currently with the Cincinnati Reds) was the shortstop. I hit .414 and hit a couple of home runs. But I wasn't the best player on the team. Larkin was considered the best and Mark Smith, who used to be in the Detroit system, was also a good player."

Benzinger credits his father, Joe, for giving him the "incentive and desire" at a young age. "He knew all the buttons to push. He still drives me."

New Richmond High was a small school and Benzinger admits the competition was less than top-notch. As a junior,

he led the city in hitting with a .576 average, and the next season he hit 16 home runs. The game which convinced Sox scout Larry Thomas of Benzinger's worth came against McNicholas High.

"I hit a long home run lefthanded in that game. I also doubled. It was the first time that I'd really performed well with a lot of scouts watching me," he remembers.

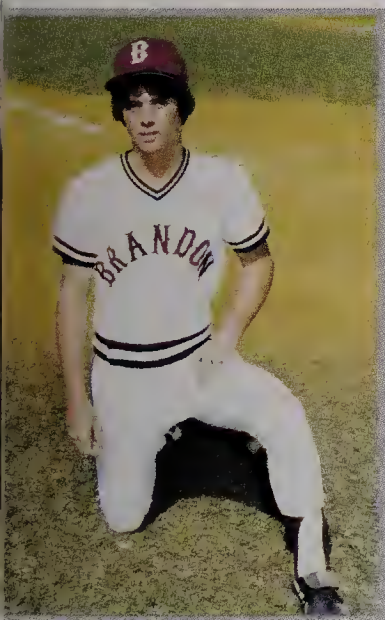
Benzinger was a three-sport star — a football quarterback and a forward on the basketball team. The #22 he wore as a baseball player was later retired.

While a physically unremarkable Benzinger impressed scouts with versatility and attitude, all they had to do was take one look at Sam Horn to know he was something special.

In describing Horn, "awesome" was the word used most often by the omnipresent bird dogs. He was always the biggest kid on the team, always the most powerful. They still talk about his mammoth homers at Morse High in San Diego. Once he hit four of them in a game.

"He hit one about 500 feet in his junior year against Patrick Henry (High)," recalls Sam's former coach, Bob Mendoza. "He had tremendous ability. Many times pitchers would pitch around him because they didn't want to be burned by Sam. Everything he hit was right on the money."

At Morse, Horn was a teammate of Mark McLemore, now a second baseman with the California Angels. And some of the competition he faced was also rather good. Future major leaguers Nelson Simmons, Kevin Mitchell, Tony Gwynn, Bobby Meacham and Randy Milligan (last



year's International League MVP) were also in the league.

Horn was used to the formidable contingent of scouts that would come to games to eyeball the plethora of good athletes in his area. One of those who took a quiet interest was Ray Boone, who eventually signed Horn as the Sox' number one June 1982 draft choice.

"Awesome. I mean, awesome," was Boone's first impression of Horn. "I saw him as a junior and then I made sure to follow him as a senior. The first two weeks of his senior year, he hit six or seven homers. One of them would have gone over the fence twice. I never saw a kid hit one like that.

"One coach walked him three times," Boone gushes. "Eventually they stopped pitching to him. He never got anything good to hit and he had the tendency to chase bad pitches out of frustration. He was 6'5" or 6'6" even then and



By age 12, Marzano (right) was the dominant hitter and pitcher in South Philly's Pioneer League.

I knew it would be a struggle for him in the field. But when someone hits like that, you don't worry about his glove. He was a very intelligent and nice kid."

"In all my years of scouting (over 30)," he adds, "I never saw a power hitter like Sam before him. And I don't think I'll ever see one quite like him again."

With those credentials, Horn was the sixth player taken

in the draft that year. He briefly considered a full scholarship to USC to play for Rod Dedeaux, but Horn wanted to make it to the major leagues as soon as possible.

"My goal was to always play at the highest level I could. USC and Mr. Dedeaux had great reputations, but being a number one pick, there really wasn't a choice to make. My mom was behind me a hundred percent and I knew I was going to a good organization deep in tradition," Horn explains.



Marzano never considered catching until his senior year in high school.

John Marzano was not born with the massive size, strength and power of Sam Horn. He had to dig a little deeper to reach his potential, and to his tireless work ethic he added a tough and gritty attitude that has characterized his play to this day.

Growing up in a rough neighborhood, Marzano learned to play on rocky fields, dodging the glass fragments in between hops at the hot corner.

He remembers, as a 13-year-old third baseman in the Dept. of Recreation League, getting hit with a ground ball, opening up a cut above his right eye. He went to the hospital to be stitched up, returned by the sixth inning, and hit a grand slam to win the game.

He attended Central High and among his high school competitors was pitcher Mark Gubicza of the Kansas City Royals. As a sophomore, Marzano was a second-team All-City first baseman, hitting .600. He never even thought about catching until the end of his junior year, but four years later he would become an All-American at the position at Temple University.

"With my quick release and the fact I was kind of short, I was told catching might be the best thing for me," he says. "I went to a baseball school in Florida between my junior and senior years which was run by Steve Boros (former Oakland and San Diego manager). It was there I started to catch and I caught all my senior year." Marzano hit 10 home runs to go along with a .595 average his senior season.

He was drafted by the Twins in the third round of the June draft, but opted for college. After considering scholarship offers from Oklahoma State and USC, he

decided to stay in Philadelphia at Temple.

"Temple had a Division One program and I knew I'd get a good education. If I played well there, I'd get drafted again. As a third round pick, I didn't think the money was enough, not enough to risk not getting a good education."

Marzano credits Owl coach Skip Wilson with motivating him. "He had a way of getting the best out of me," says the Sox' young catcher. Marzano was eventually chosen for the 30-man traveling squad which participated in the Pan American games and the 1984 Olympics.

"Playing in the Olympics was a big thrill for me," he says proudly. "If I'd signed out of high school, I would have missed out. I got to play with great players against great competition."

The Red Sox' Phil Rossi, who scouted and eventually signed Marzano, thinks the international experience increased the catcher's stock as a player.

"John has always been the kind of player who performs at the level you put him at," he says. "He made tremendous progress between his freshman and sophomore years at Temple. What I liked most about him was his gamesmanship and competitiveness. The South Philly athlete is different to me. I always think of Rocky (Balboa) when I think of John."

Marzano hit .409 with 22 homers and 141 RBI in three years at Temple, and hit .333 during the Olympic games. His .407 average on a pre-Olympic tour included a triple, single and stolen base in a game at Fenway Park. He became the 14th player chosen in the first round of the 1984 June draft, and was surprised he went that low "only because I was a catcher and there weren't that many catchers that year."

The only pitcher among "The Magnificent Seven," Tom Bolton, had an early career which his professional development has mirrored: deliberate and steady, with neither resounding highs nor discouraging lows.

His family owned a cabinet shop in Brentwood, Tennessee, where Tom often worked as a youngster during his summers. But he insists his work schedule never limited his time on the playing field.

"My parents encouraged baseball. There were a lot of drives back and forth to practice that I remember," he says. "I was always a good athlete; a well-rounded one. I had very good coaches who made the whole process fun."

Like Greenwell, Bolton's idol was Seaver. He devoured Seaver's book on pitching and read everything he could get

his hands on regarding the art of pitching. He might not have been the most overpowering pitcher by the time he got to high school, but he was one of the smartest.

"I picked things up on my own," he says now. "I taught myself how to throw a curve. I always had a good arm."

Bolton was 10-1 as a senior and led Antioch High School to a state championship. Along the way he pitched a no-



Scouts took careful notice of Bolton's "good head."

hitter. But his most memorable experience that year was beating Tim Corder, a righthanded pitcher and former Red Sox draft choice.

"He had given up only one earned run all season. We beat them 10-0. That made my year," remembers Bolton.

He started to notice scouts, and vice versa, when he was a junior. The Mets, Angels and Orioles were all watching him. By his senior year, the Red Sox' George Digby started coming around, and Bolton was taken on the 20th round in the 1980 June draft. Wanting badly to play professional baseball, he decided against college scholarship offers from Oklahoma State and Vanderbilt.

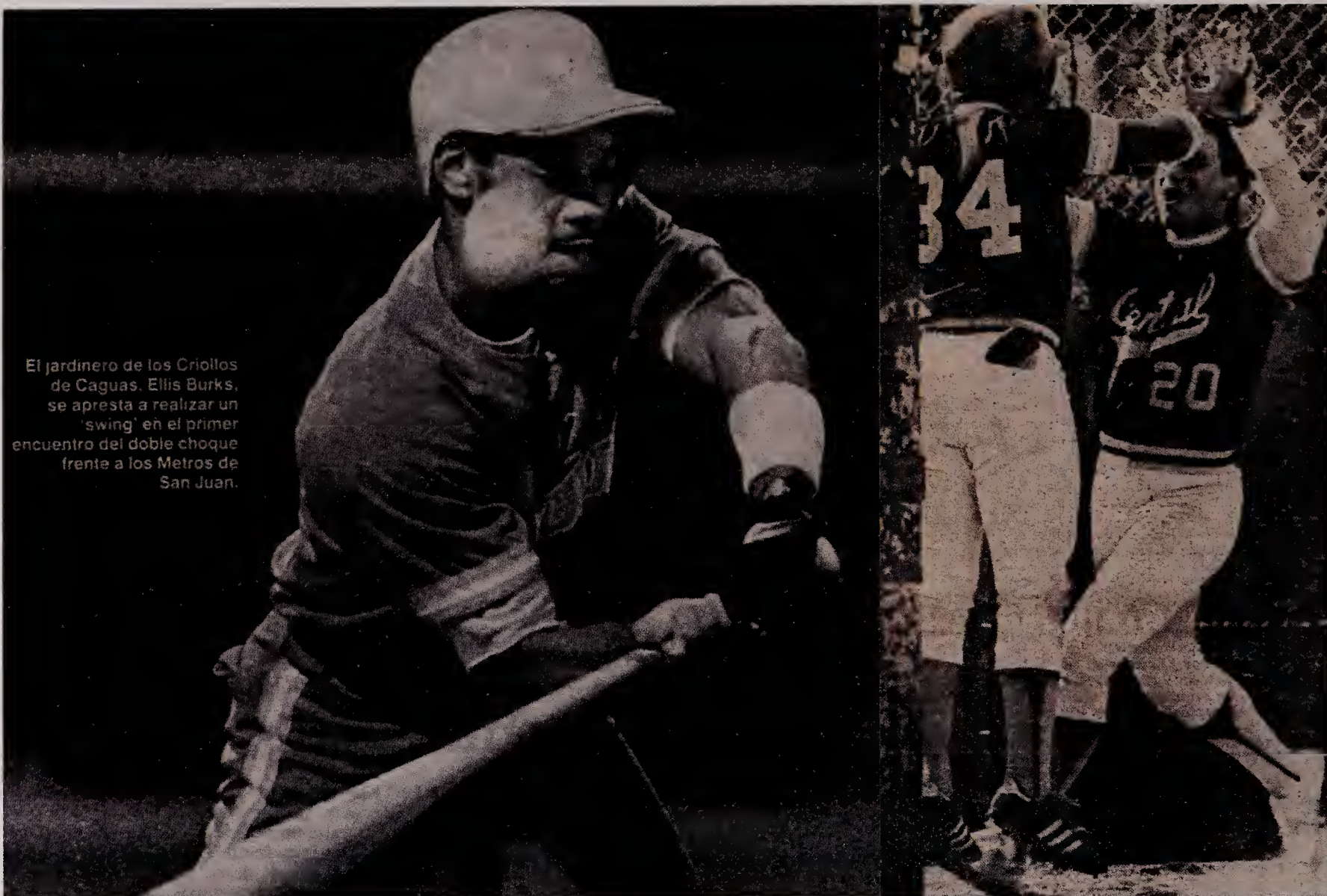
"He was never overpowering," recalls Digby. "He was a battler and I thought he'd learn to pitch. He got the ball over the plate and the ball had some action. He was a lefthander with a good arm and a good head. I took a chance."

Bolton was homesick during his first year at Elmira in the New York-Penn League. "I told my brother I'd give it a week. But I made it. I stayed."

Bolton's father died in 1983, never to see his son become a major league ballplayer. "He would have been proud," says Tom.

The scouting process with Reed, another Digby signee, was complex. He was drafted four times — by the San Francisco Giants after his second year at Manatee Jr. College, and by the Texas Rangers after both his sophomore and junior years at Florida State — before signing with the Red Sox.

"Actually, I liked Jody since high school even though I didn't think he was ready," recalls Digby. "I knew he



El jardinero de los Criollos de Caguas, Ellis Burks, se apresta a realizar un "swing" en el primer encuentro del doble choque frente a los Metros de San Juan.

Burks provided a clue to his immense potential with a brilliant winter league season in Puerto Rico in 1986-87.

At Central High in Philadelphia, Marzano hit .600 as a sophomore first baseman.

wanted to get his degree, so I didn't bother him until that was in sight at Florida State.

"He always came to play. He grew up and got stronger every year. He is a Rick Burleson kind of player. A gutty kid. A leader. You need that kind of player on your team."

No one was interested in Burks after high school, either. He went to Ranger Jr. College in Texas, and there he gained weight and grew. Sox scout Danny Doyle began noticing him.

Remembers Doyle, "Out of high school I could see great potential in him, but I didn't want him to come to camp and get released. I knew there wasn't much interest in him so I followed him again at Ranger. He had a good arm and legs. They had so many good players at Ranger, he was hard to see. He came so far that year. But I would have let him go another year, if I thought I could risk it. I knew I couldn't."

Burks' college coach, Jack Allen, once held Burks out of the lineup three straight games with several scouts in attendance. Allen wanted to deter the scouts from drafting his star outfielder in January in order to avoid losing him for the spring season. But that happened, anyway. The Sox drafted Burks as the 20th pick in the first round in January, 1983.

Greenwell had a tempting offer from the University of Miami to play either football or baseball, but when Boston took him on the third round in the 1982 June draft, he knew

he couldn't deny himself this dream.

"He was a lot like Wade Boggs," recalls Digby, who also scouted and signed Greenwell. "He couldn't catch the ball and he couldn't throw well. He was in the outfield making errors as a senior and people laughed. I said, 'I'm going for him.' He had the great bat. He hit a mammoth home run against Rich Monteleone (a first round choice by Detroit) in the North-South Game, an annual high school all-star game in the state of Florida. That convinced me."

Greenwell was somewhat surprised that the Red Sox drafted him. As a senior, he had had a private workout with a Cincinnati Reds scout, and the Texas Rangers were always around. Digby, a veteran birddog who believes in never showing his hand, approached Greenwell only at draft time.

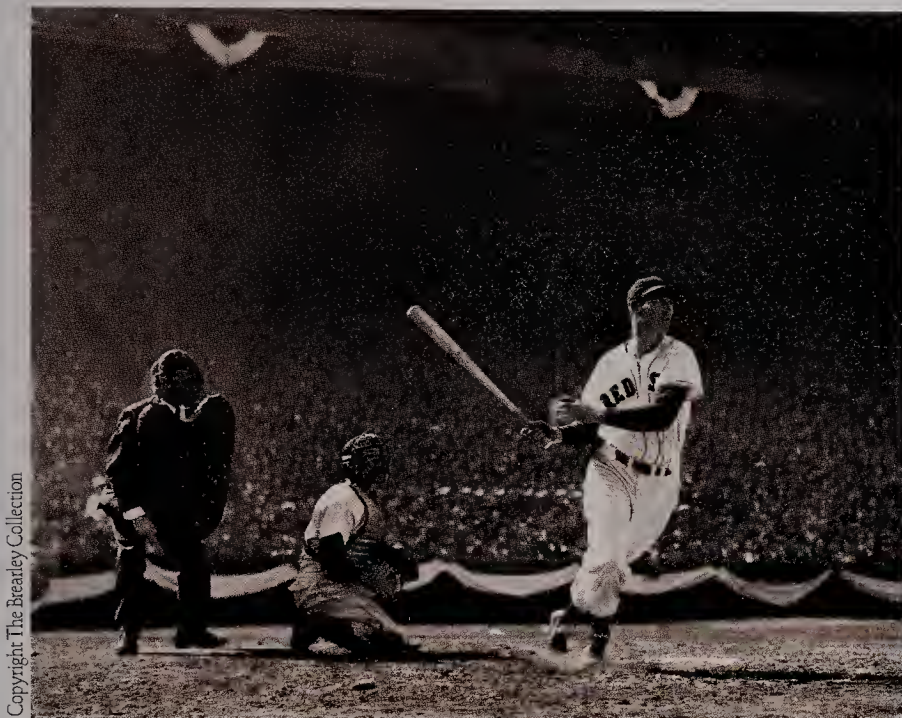
Benzinger received a full scholarship offer to play baseball at the University of Michigan the day the Sox drafted him in the fourth round in June 1981.

"I don't regret not going to Michigan," Benzinger says. "By that time, I wanted to be a major leaguer. Maybe I was naive and thought it was going to be easier than it was. But I'm here now, and that's all that counts."

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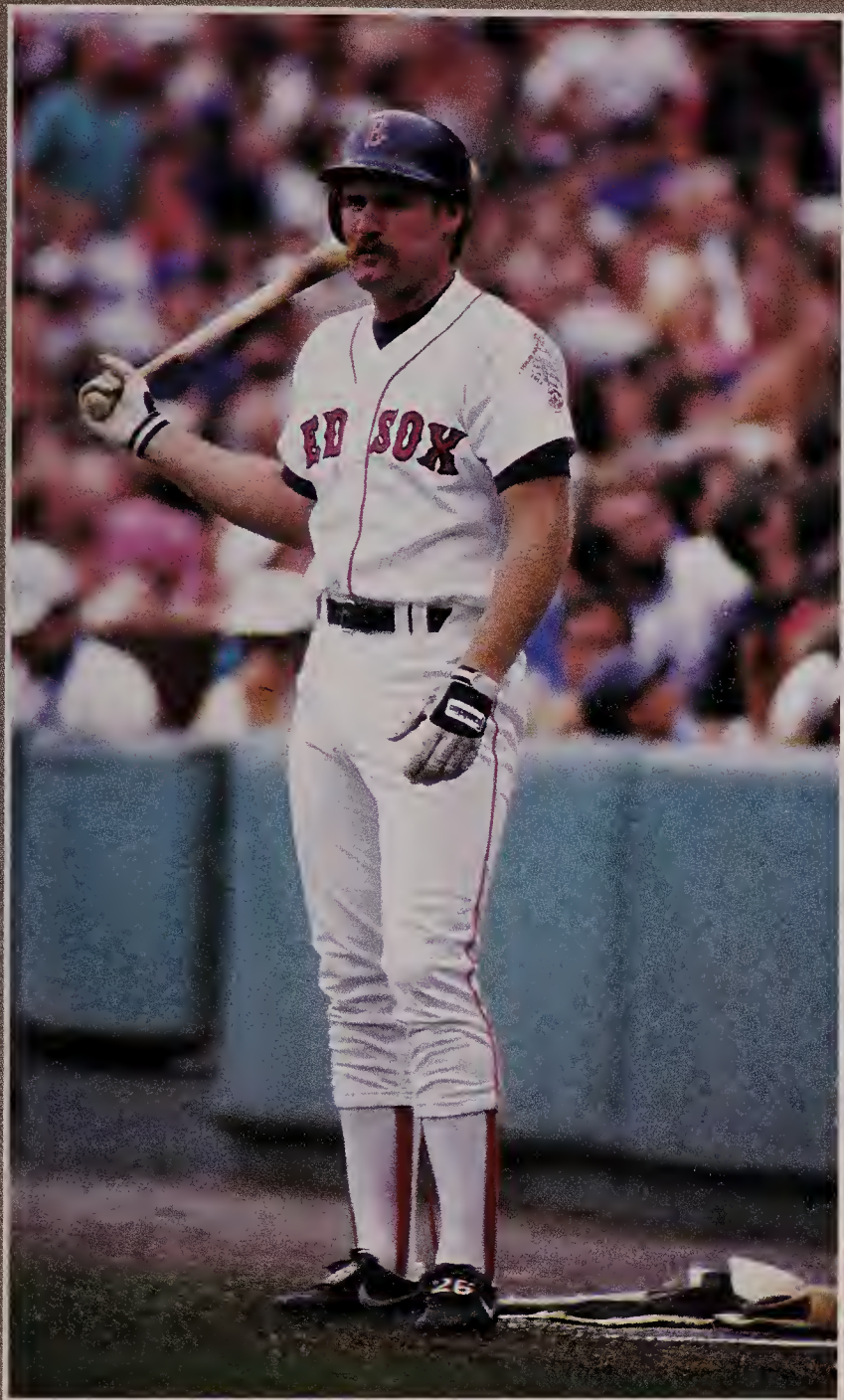
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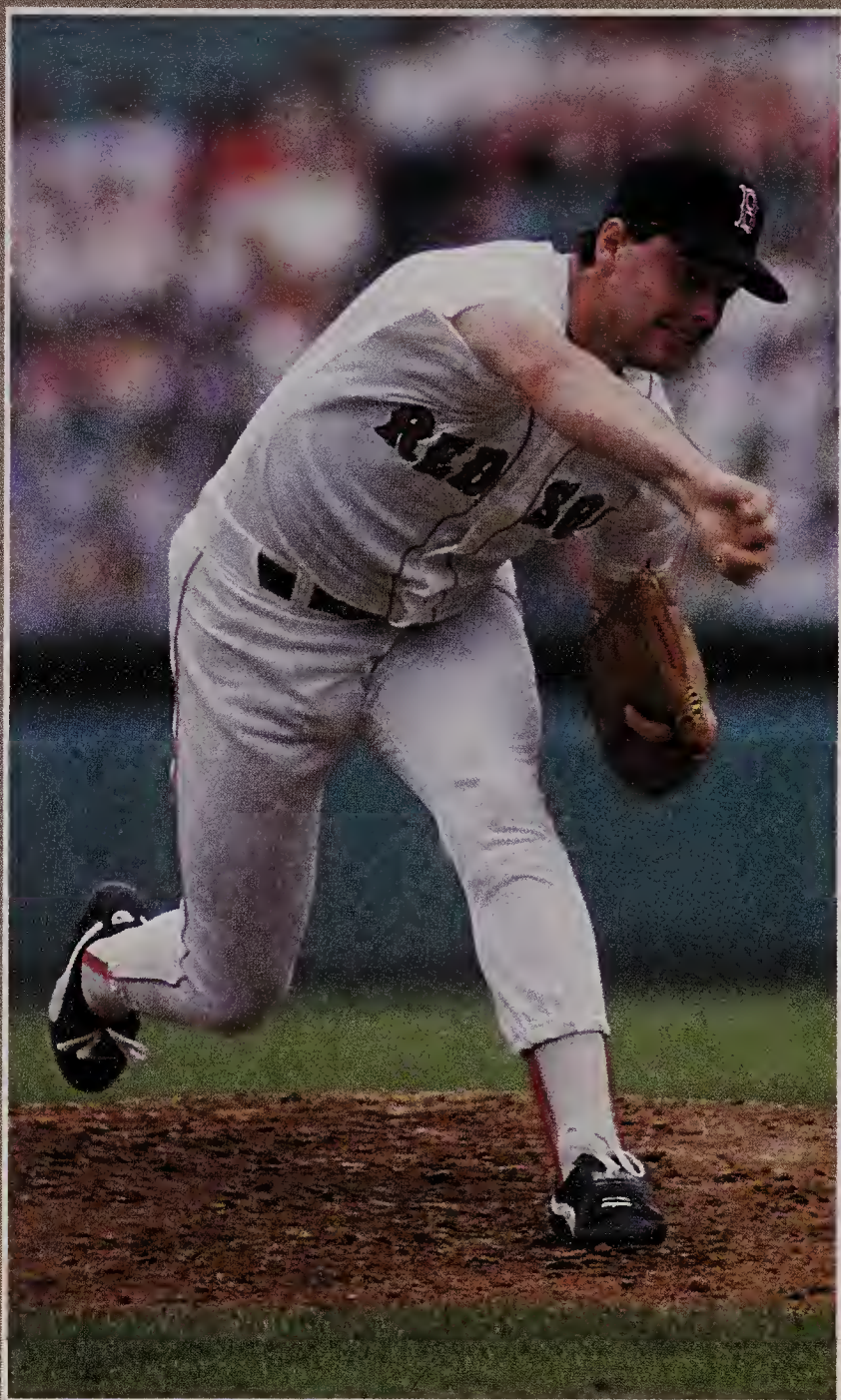
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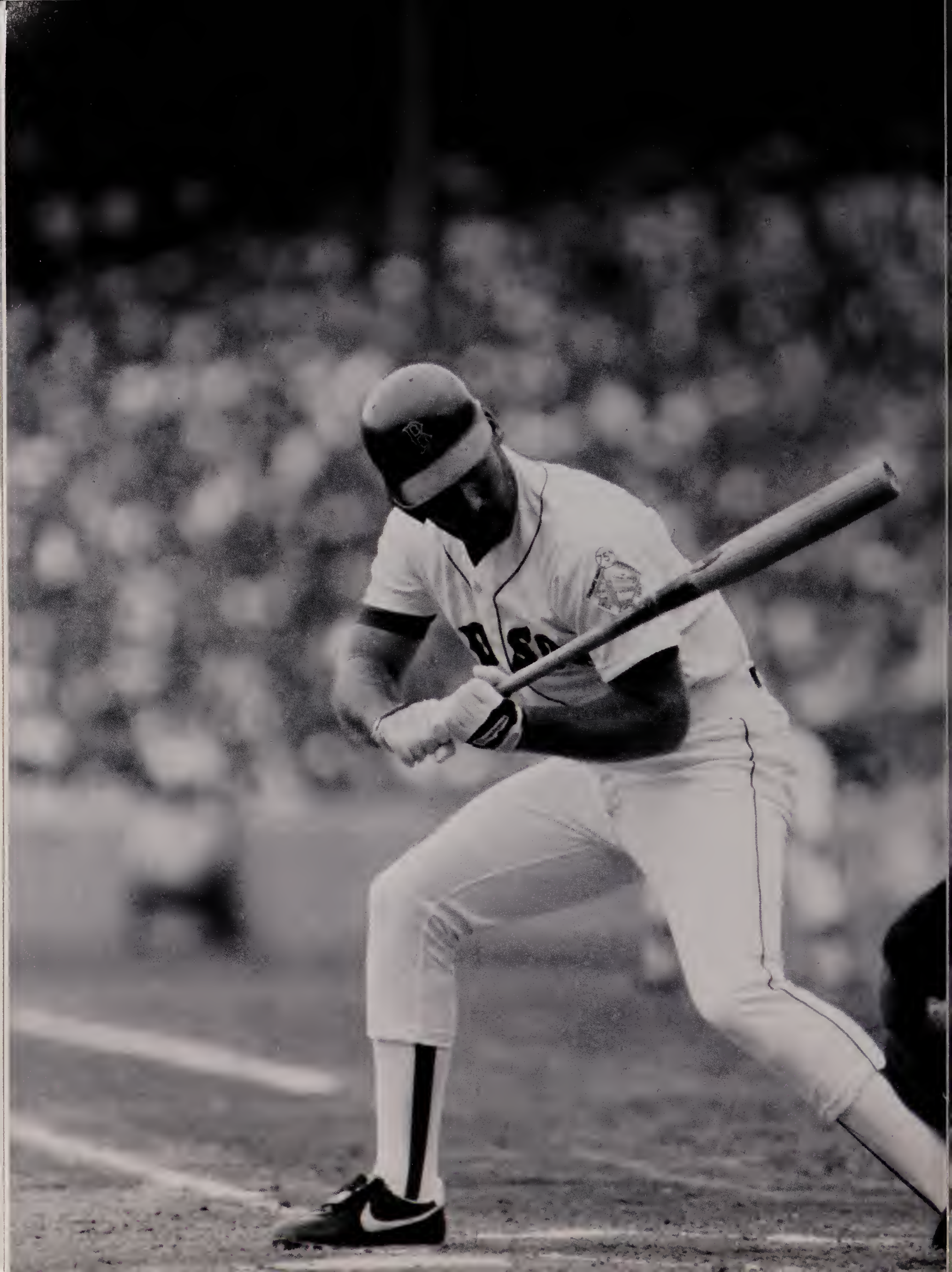
THE PLAYERS



Wade Boggs

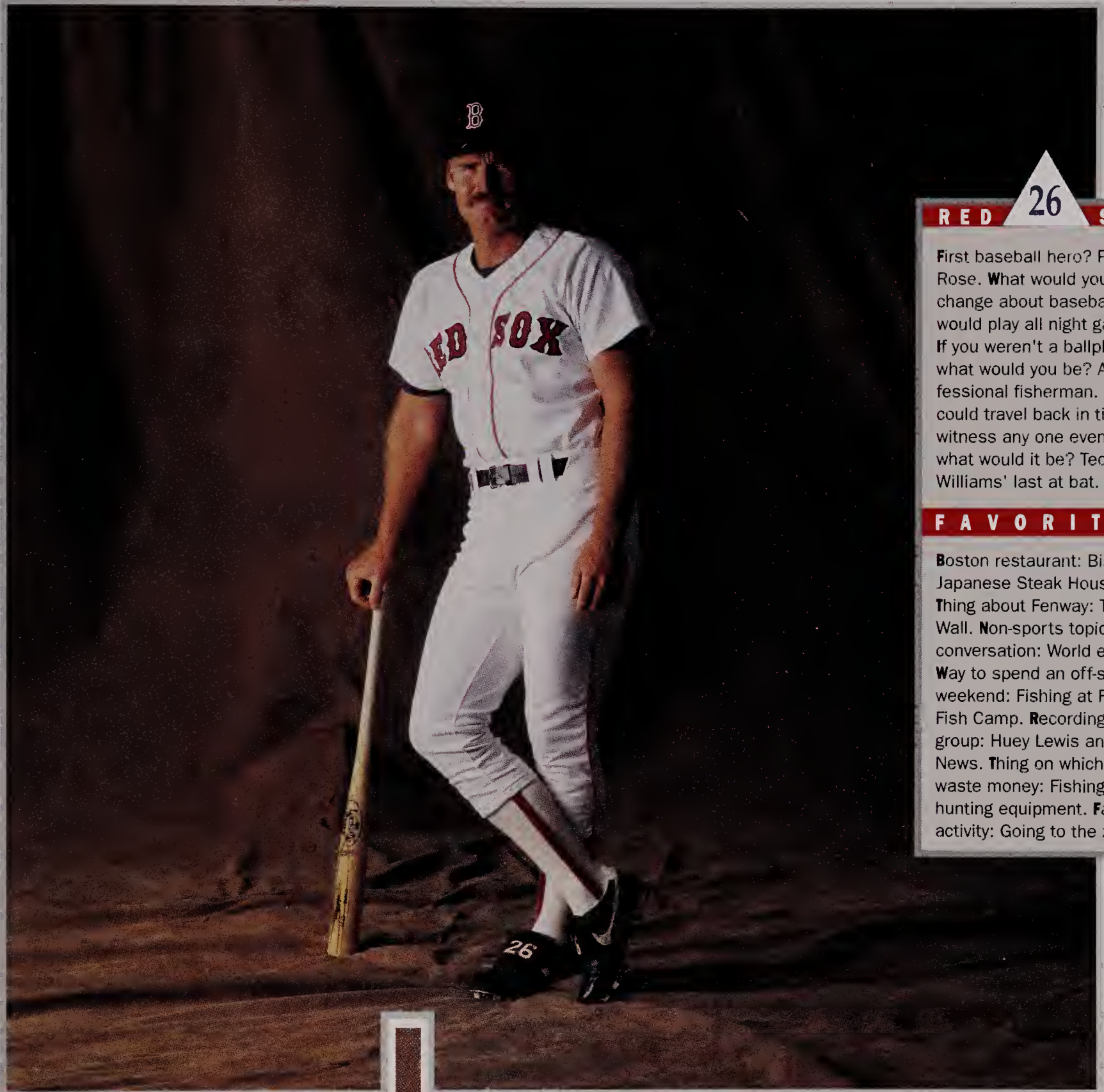


Roger Clemens



WADE BOGGS

THIRD BASEMAN



RED **26** SOX

First baseball hero? Pete Rose. What would you change about baseball? I would play all night games. If you weren't a ballplayer, what would you be? A professional fisherman. If you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be? Ted Williams' last at bat.

FAVORITES

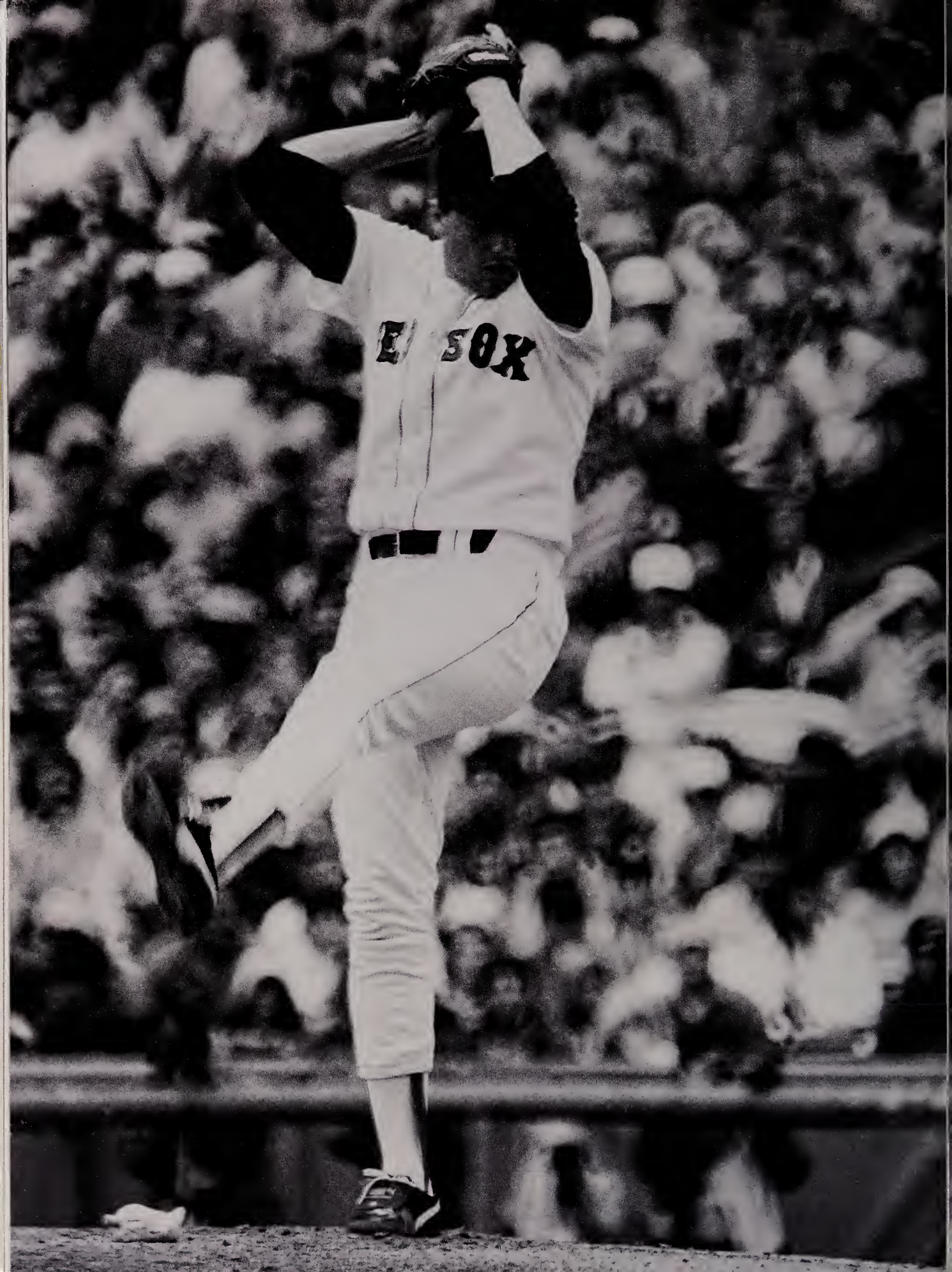
Boston restaurant: Bisuteki Japanese Steak House. Thing about Fenway: The Wall. Non-sports topic of conversation: World events. Way to spend an off-season weekend: Fishing at Finway Fish Camp. Recording group: Huey Lewis and the News. Thing on which to waste money: Fishing or hunting equipment. Family activity: Going to the zoo.

I knew Wade could hit and that's all I needed to know. Other scouts didn't like his fielding, running and throwing. He never did well in the 40- or 60-yard dashes, but I haven't found anybody who can steal first base. There wasn't much interest in him, but he rang a bell with me.

► *George Digby, Red Sox scout*

Age: 29, Turns 30 June 15. Born: June 15, 1958, Omaha, NB. Ht.: 6-2. Wt: 197. Hazel eyes, Brown hair. Bats: Left, Throws: Right. Home: Tampa, FL. Signed by scout George Digby, June 19, 1976. Married Deborah Bertercelli. Children: Megann 12/29/78, Brett Anthony 11/26/86.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	Boston	.363	147	551	108	200	40	6	24	89	105	48	1	14
M.L. Totals		.354	872	3329	582	1178	218	23	56	411	522	254	10	185



ROGER CLEMENS

PITCHER



RED 21 SOX

First baseball hero? Charlie Brown. **Prettiest play in baseball?** The strikeout with men on second and third, two outs, and a one-run lead. **What would you change about baseball?** Pitchers could take ground balls on the infield without getting yelled at. **If you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be?** The birth of Christ.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: Kowloon. **Non-sports topics of conversation:** Cars, drums, and what happened on *All My Children*. **Recording artists or groups:** Boston, Stevie Nicks, Genesis. **Family activity:** Going to Disney World or any toy store with son Koby.

Roger always threw hard, but more important was his competitive nature. He lost a game to Arizona State when he was a junior. The coach used to call the pitches then and they got three hits off him on change-ups. He was mad because otherwise they couldn't get around on him. The coach always referred to Roger as his number three pitcher. He considered Calvin Schiraldi and Mike Capel ahead of Roger, but Clemens had the rare make-up and was the superior talent.

► *Danny Doyle, Red Sox scout*

Age: 25, turns 26 Aug. 4. Born: Aug. 4, 1962, Dayton, OH. Ht.: 6-4. Wt.: 220. Green eyes, Brown hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Katy, TX. Signed by scout Danny Doyle, June 21, 1983. Married Debbie Godfrey. Children: Koby Aaron 12/4/86.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Boston	20-9	2.97	36	36	18	7	0	281.2	248	100	93	83	256
M.L. Totals		60-22	3.08	105	104	36	10	0	767.1	656	282	263	216	694

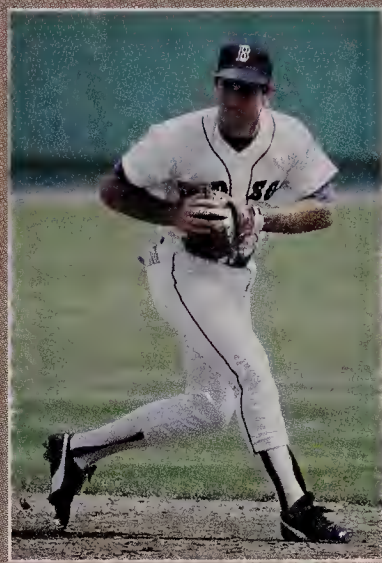
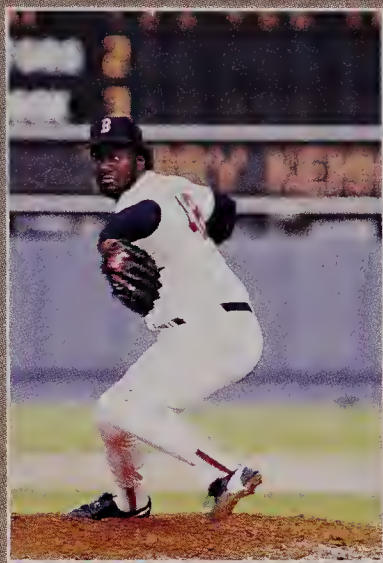
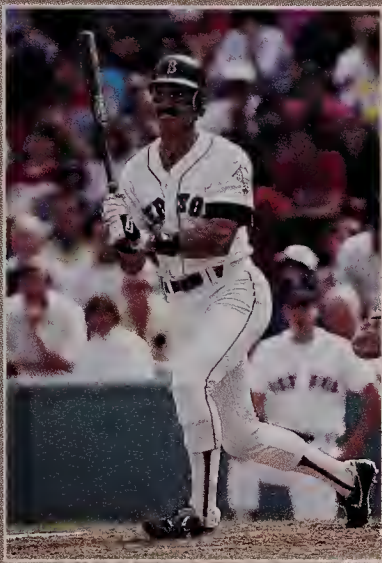


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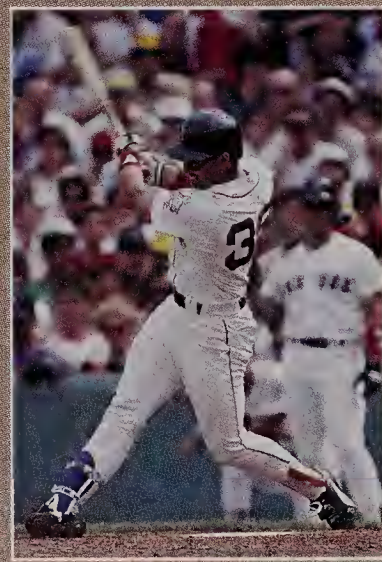
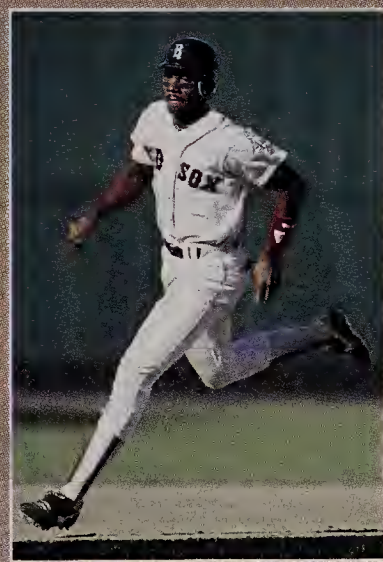
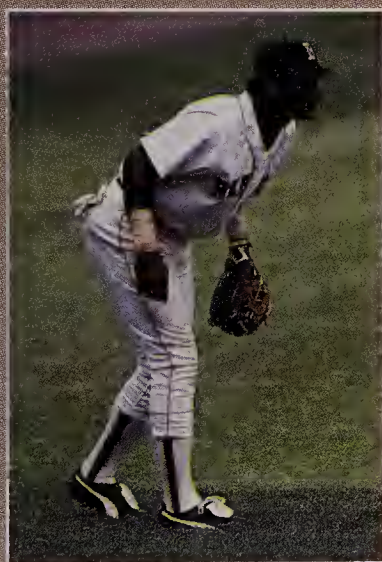
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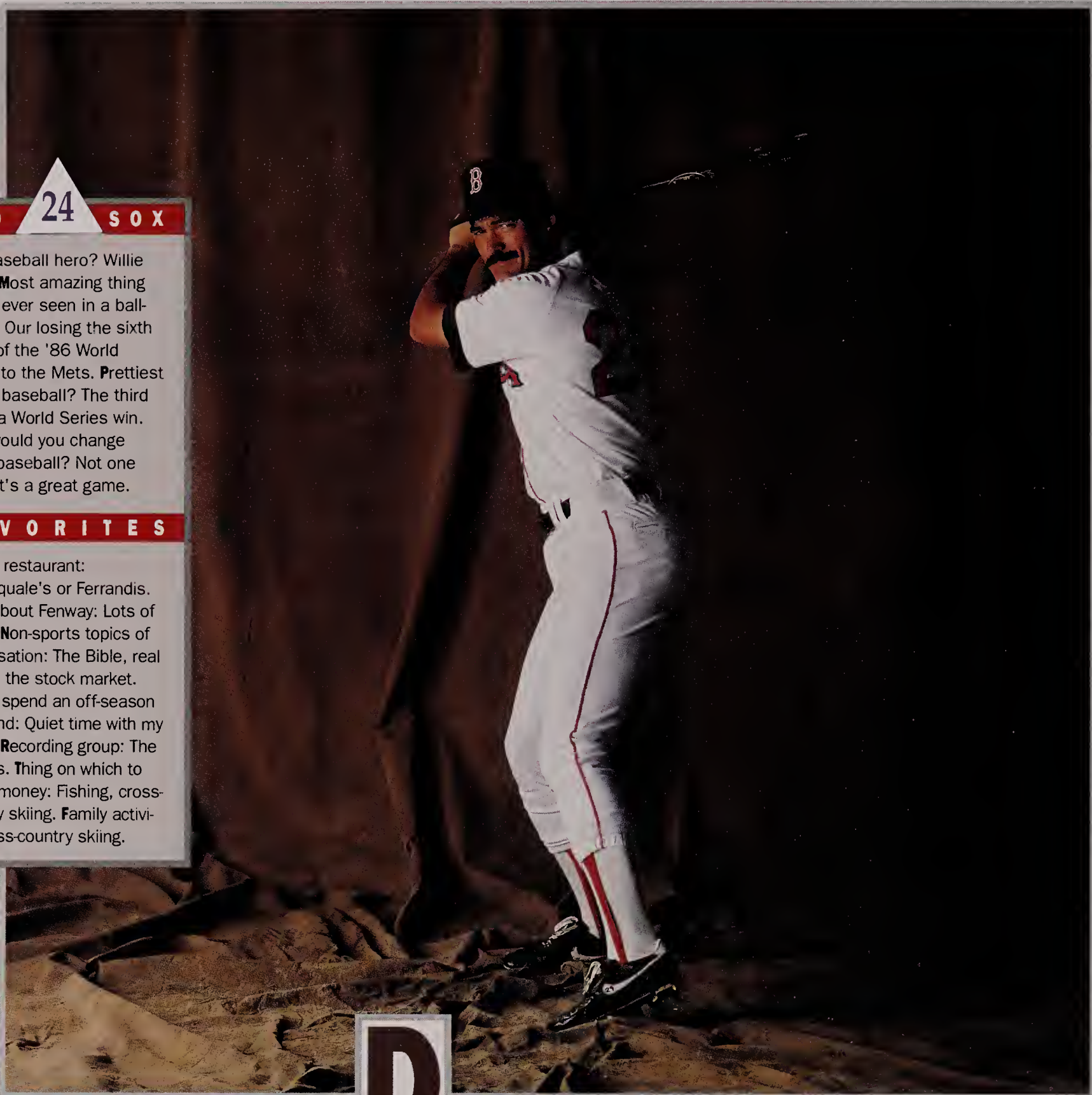
FIRST BASEMAN / OUTFIELDER

RED 24 SOX

First baseball hero? Willie Mays. **M**ost amazing thing you've ever seen in a ball-game? Our losing the sixth game of the '86 World Series to the Mets. **P**rettiest play in baseball? The third out of a World Series win. **W**hat would you change about baseball? Not one thing; it's a great game.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: Depasquale's or Ferrandis. **T**hing about Fenway: Lots of green. **N**on-sports topics of conversation: The Bible, real estate, the stock market. **W**ay to spend an off-season weekend: Quiet time with my family. **R**ecording group: The Beatles. **T**hing on which to waste money: Fishing, cross-country skiing. **F**amily activity: Cross-country skiing.



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wight had all the tools you look for when you go out scouting a player. In high school he pitched, played third and the outfield. He had a good arm and looked like a natural player. He showed no fear at the plate and didn't swing at bad balls. He always hustled. A solid, solid high school player.

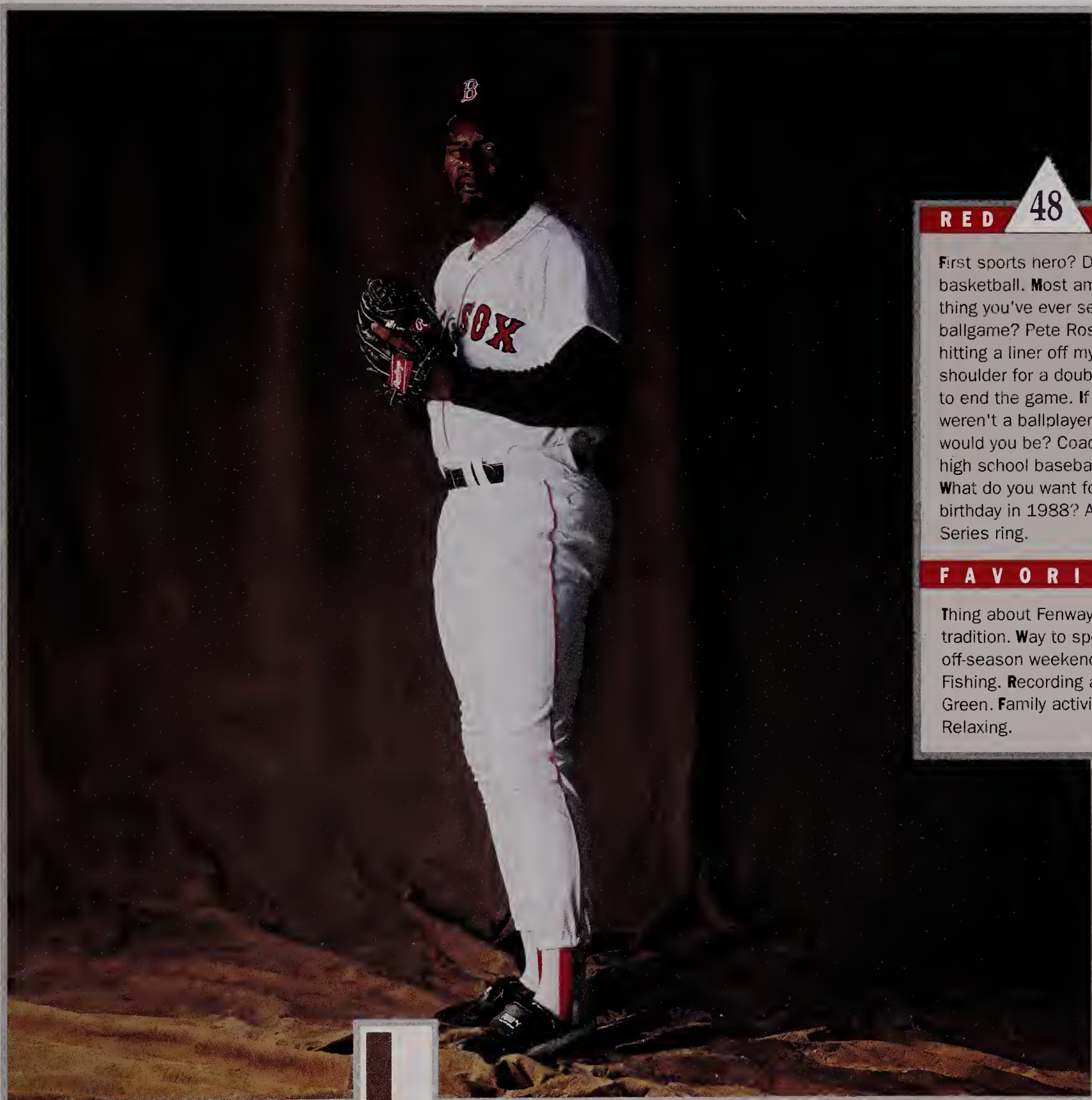
► Joe Stephenson, Red Sox scout

Age: 36. Born: November 3, 1951, Santa Monica, CA. Ht.: 6'3 Wt.: 208. Brown eyes, Brown hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Lynnfield, MA. Signed by scout Joe Stephenson, June 15, 1969. Married Susan Ann Severson. Children: Timothy Scott 2/14/73, Kirstin Ann 11/30/75, Justin Dwight 3/29/77.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	Boston	.305	154	541	109	165	37	2	34	123	106	98	4	13
M.L. Totals		.271	2087	7202	1191	1950	398	59	325	1072	1095	1387	65	64

LEE SMITH

PITCHER



RED 48 SOX

First sports hero? Dr. J in basketball. **M**ost amazing thing you've ever seen in a ballgame? Pete Rose hitting a liner off my shoulder for a double play to end the game. **I**f you weren't a ballplayer, what would you be? Coach for a high school baseball team. **W**hat do you want for your birthday in 1988? A World Series ring.

FAVORITES

Thing about Fenway: The tradition. **W**ay to spend an off-season weekend: Fishing. **R**ecording artist: Al Green. **F**amily activity: Relaxing.

Lee was a big, strong kid – about 6'2" or 6'3" in high school. He threw three-quarters and was very loose with a lot of stuff on the ball. He threw fastball, fastball, fastball. Didn't need anything else. Striking out 10-15 a game was no big deal. I came along with Satchel Paige and Bob Feller. They threw harder, but Lee had a wonderful arm.

► *Buck O'Neil, Chicago Cubs scout*

Age: 30. Born: Dec. 4, 1957, Jamestown, LA. Ht.: 6-6. Wt.: 245. Black hair, Brown eyes. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Castor, LA. Married: Diane Sanders. Children: Nikita Diane 4/9/87. Originally signed by Chicago Cubs, June 1975.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Chicago	4-10	3.12	62	0	0	0	36	83.2	84	30	29	32	96
M.L. Totals		40-51	2.92	458	6	0	0	180	682.0	591	240	221	264	644

MARTY BARRETT

SECOND BASEMAN

RED 17 SOX

Most amazing thing you've ever seen in a ballgame? Dave Henderson's home run in Game 5 of the 1986 ALCS. **What would you change about baseball?** A.L. pitchers would have to hit in the All-Star Game and World Series — they're not used to getting out of the way of pitched balls. **If you weren't a ballplayer, what would you be?** I'd be in broadcasting or law.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurants: Bella's and Joe Tesce's. **Thing about Fenway:** The tradition. **Non-sports topics of conversation:** Financial material and the Bible. **Way to spend an off-season weekend:** On a date with my wife. **Recording group:** Huey Lewis and the News. **Thing on which to waste money:** Hardware gadgets.

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arty is the type of kid that first impressions don't mean a whole lot. You could overlook him. Watch him over four or five days and he starts working on you. He grinds. I thought he was a can't miss kid. He was always involved with rallies and was always around the ball on defense. Every team should have a Barrett.

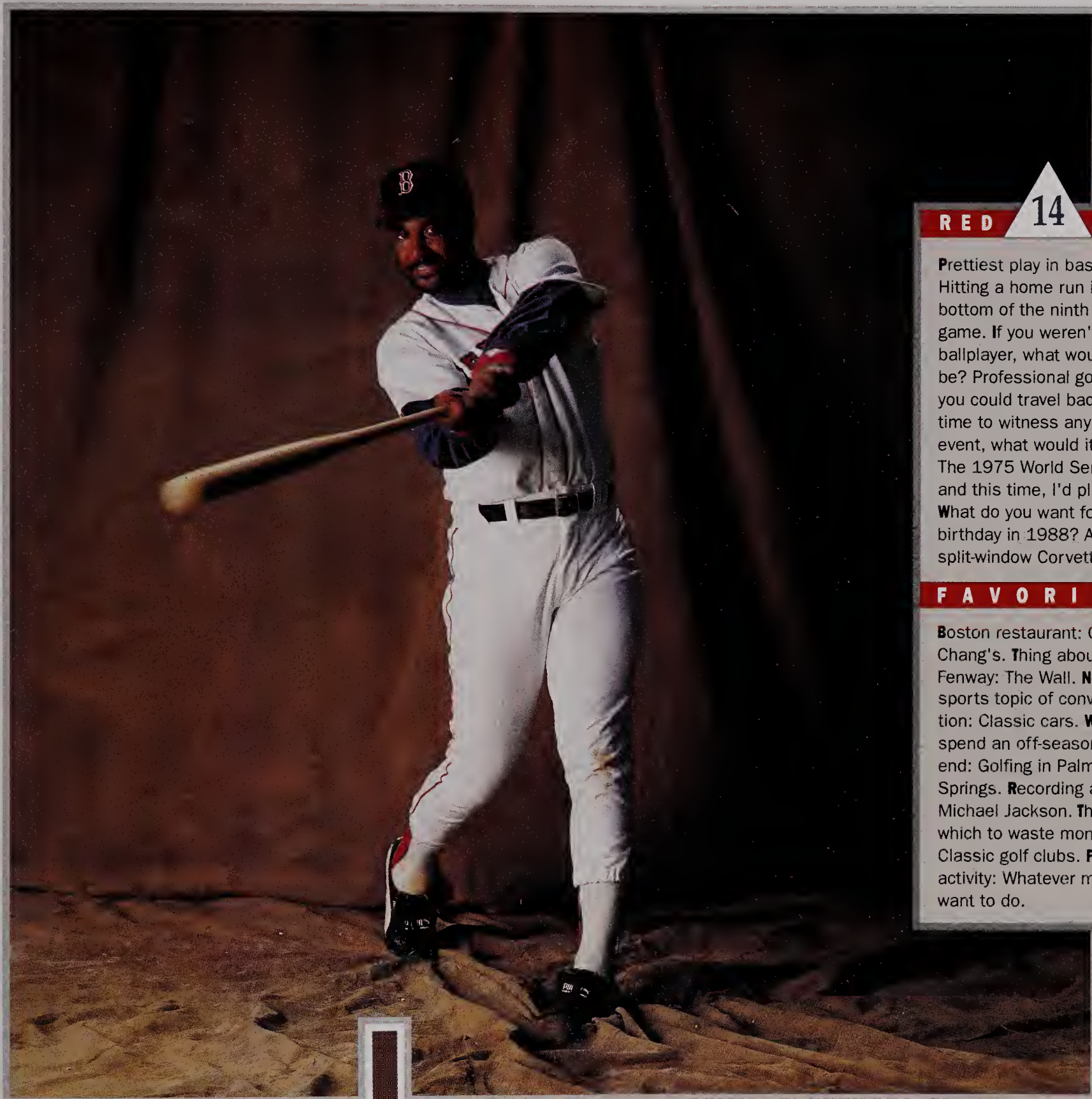
► Ray Boone, Red Sox scout

Age: 29, Turns 30 June 23. Born: June 23, 1958, Arcadia, CA. Ht.: 5-10. Wt.: 174. Brown eyes, Brown hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Pembroke, MA. Signed by scout Ray Boone, June 13, 1979. Married Robin Brown. Children: Eric 1/19/81, Kathryn Christine 10/26/85.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	Boston	.293	137	559	72	164	23	0	3	43	51	38	15	9
M.L. Totals		.284	631	2255	288	640	112	8	15	206	217	146	42	44

JIM RICE

OUTFIELDER



RED 14 SOX

Prettiest play in baseball? Hitting a home run in the bottom of the ninth to win a game. **If you weren't a ballplayer, what would you be?** Professional golfer. **If you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be?** The 1975 World Series, and this time, I'd play in it. **What do you want for your birthday in 1988?** A 1963 split-window Corvette.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: Chef Chang's. **Thing about Fenway:** The Wall. **Non-sports topic of conversation:** Classic cars. **Way to spend an off-season weekend:** Golfing in Palm Springs. **Recording artist:** Michael Jackson. **Thing on which to waste money:** Classic golf clubs. **Family activity:** Whatever my kids want to do.

first saw Jim as a junior in high school. He hit a home run nine miles and I said to myself, 'That's one I have to follow next year.' One game there were a zillion scouts, he got four hits: home runs to left and right, a double to left-center and a double to rightfield. The best high school hitter I ever saw.

► Mace Brown, Red Sox scout

Age: 34, Turns 35 Mar. 8. Born: March 8, 1953, Anderson, SC. Ht.: 6'2. Wt.: 216. Brown eyes, Black hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: No. Andover, MA. Signed by scout Mace Brown, June 10, 1971. Married Corine Gilliard. Children: Chauncy Brandon 10/7/78, Carissa Jacinda 10/4/80.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	Boston	.277	108	404	66	112	14	0	13	62	45	77	1	4
M.L. Totals		.302	1898	7531	1170	2275	345	74	364	1351	609	1295	56	65

ELLIS BURKS

OUTFIELDER

RED 12 SOX

First baseball hero? Bobby Bonds. Most amazing thing you've ever seen in a ball-game? Wade Boggs going 49-for-101 in the month of June. If you weren't a ballplayer, what would you be? A musician. If you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be? I would have wanted to race Jesse Owens.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: Jimmy's Harborside. Thing about Fenway: The short leftfield wall. Non-sports topic of conversation: Cars. Way to spend an off-season weekend: Watching a good basketball game. Recording artist or group: Kenny G, Cameo. Thing on which to waste money: Tapes. Family activity: Sitting around at home talking and eating with my relatives.

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hen Ellis got out of high school there weren't many who wanted him. He was raw and still growing, but you knew once this kid matured he was gonna be something special. His first year at Ranger Jr. College (Texas), he put on weight and grew. He had that great potential and he had a great attitude to go along with it. He could run and throw and you knew his bat was gonna get there.

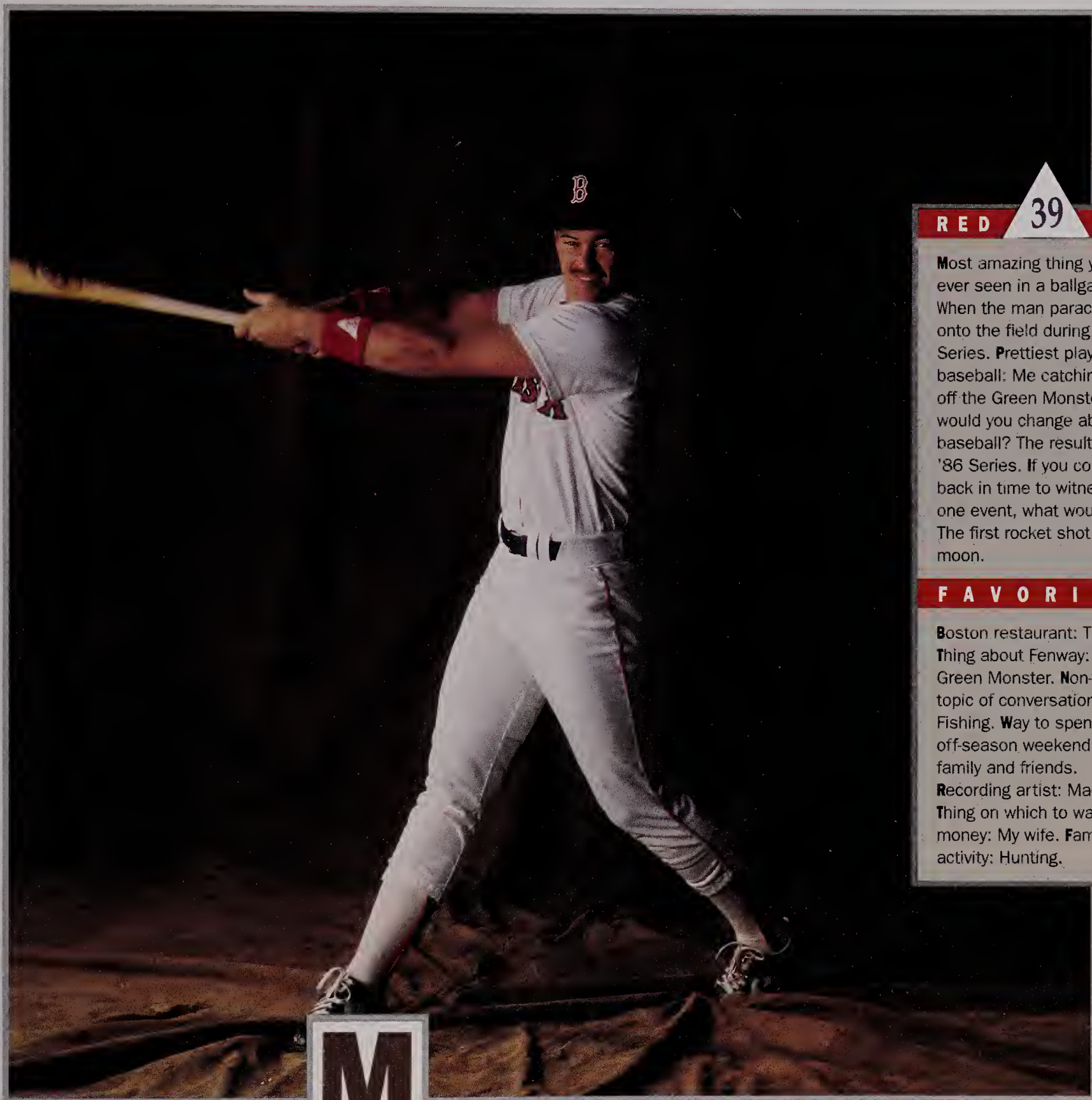
► Danny Doyle, Red Sox Scout

Age: 23, Turns 24 Sept. 11. Born: Sept. 11, 1964, Vicksburg, MS. Ht.: 6-2. Wt: 188. Brown eyes, Black hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Ft. Worth, TX. Signed by scout Danny Doyle, May 17, 1983.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	Pawtucket	.225	11	40	11	9	3	1	3	6	7	7	1	0
	Boston	.272	133	558	94	152	30	2	20	59	41	98	27	4
M.L. Totals		.272	133	558	94	152	30	2	20	59	41	98	27	4

MIKE GREENWELL

OUTFIELDER



RED 39 SOX

Most amazing thing you've ever seen in a ballgame? When the man parachuted onto the field during the '86 Series. **Prettiest play in baseball:** Me catching a ball off the Green Monster. **What would you change about baseball?** The results of the '86 Series. **If you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be?** The first rocket shot for the moon.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: The Ship. **Thing about Fenway:** The Green Monster. **Non-sports topic of conversation:** Fishing. **Way to spend an off-season weekend:** With family and friends. **Recording artist:** Madonna. **Thing on which to waste money:** My wife. **Family activity:** Hunting.

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ike reminded me of Boggs.

He could hit with the best of them in high school. Some were concerned that he didn't throw or run well and that he wasn't a good fielder. He was making errors in the outfield and scouts would laugh. I told them I liked the kid's bat and I was going for him.

► *George Digby, Red Sox scout*

Age: 24, Turns 25 July 18. Born: July 18, 1963, Louisville, KY. Ht.: 6-0. Wt.: 195. Brown eyes, Brown hair. Bats: Left, Throws: Right. Home: No. Ft. Myers, FL. Signed by scout George Digby, June 9, 1982. Married Tracy Greer.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	Boston	.328	125	412	71	135	31	6	19	89	35	40	5	6
M.L. Totals		.326	173	478	82	156	34	6	23	101	43	51	6	6



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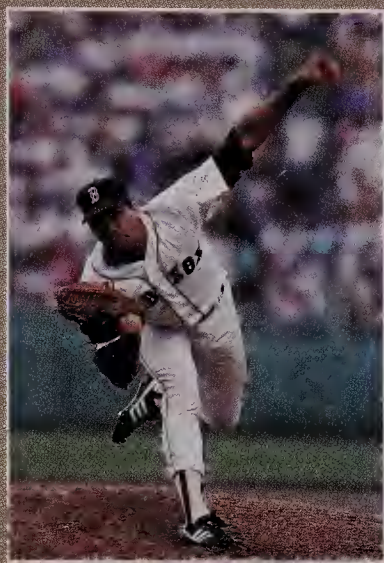
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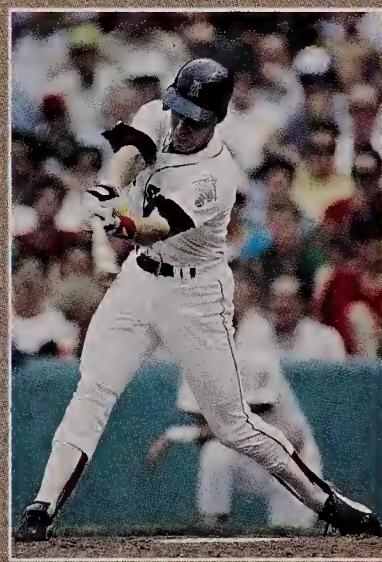
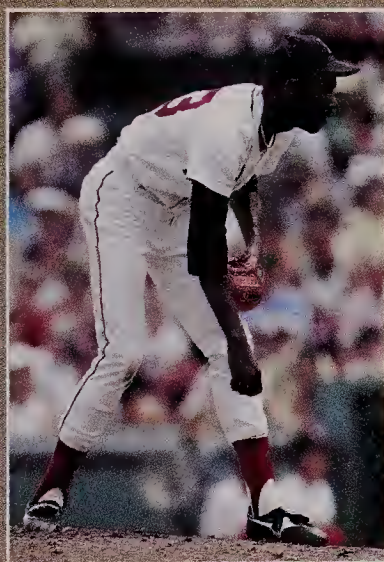
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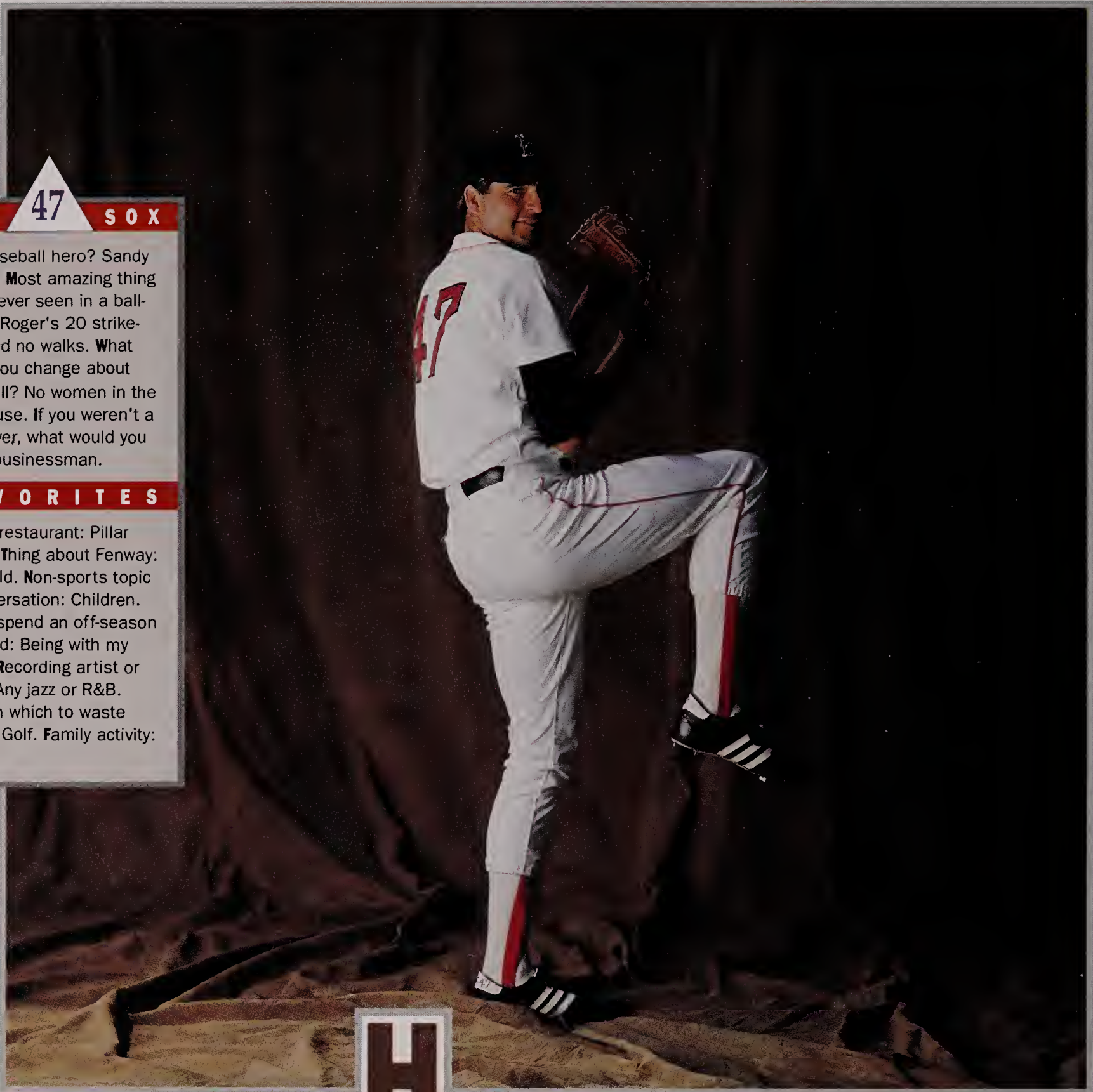
PITCHER

RED 47 SOX

First baseball hero? Sandy Koufax. Most amazing thing you've ever seen in a ball-game? Roger's 20 strikeouts and no walks. What would you change about baseball? No women in the clubhouse. If you weren't a ballplayer, what would you be? A businessman.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: Pillar House. Thing about Fenway: Rightfield. Non-sports topic of conversation: Children. Way to spend an off-season weekend: Being with my family. Recording artist or group: Any jazz or R&B. Thing on which to waste money: Golf. Family activity: Fishing.



He has an outstanding delivery: a free, quick arm and good hand speed upon release. His fastball is major league average. His curve has quickness and bites the corners.

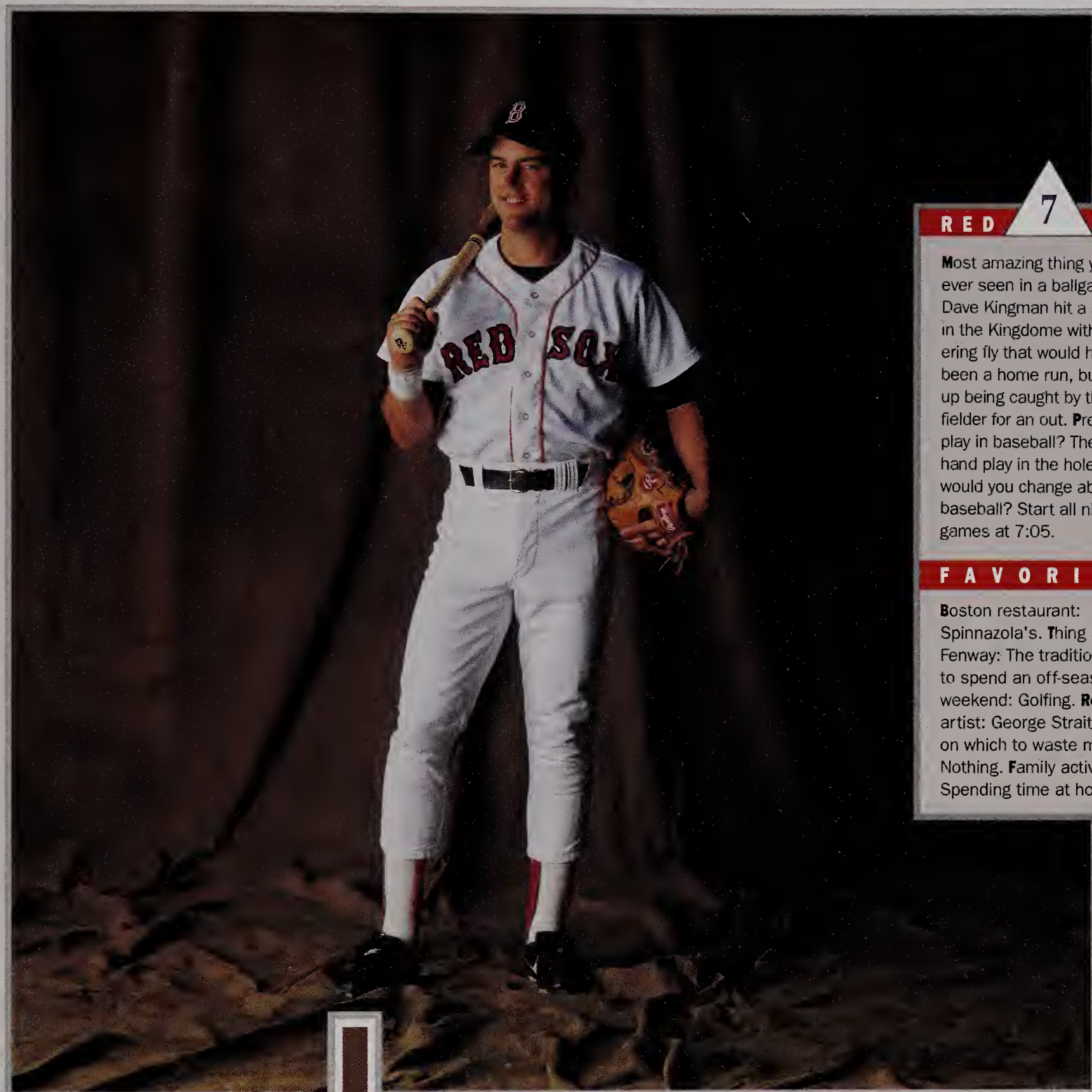
► from the scouting report of the late Red Sox scout Don Lee

Age: 29, Turns 30 Mar. 24. Born: March 24, 1958, St. George, UT. Ht.: 6-3. Wt.: 214. Hazel eyes, Brown hair. Bats and Throws: Left. Home: St. George, UT. Signed by scout Don Lee, June 14, 1976. Married Holly Brooke Barton. Children: Ryan Bruce 11/11/82, Kyle Garritt 8/23/85.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Boston	15-13	4.41	33	33	15	3	0	238.2	239	124	117	76	190
M.L. Totals		70-67	4.33	204	185	47	12	0	1242.1	1347	649	598	414	877

SPIKE OWEN

SHORTSTOP



RED 7 SOX

Most amazing thing you've ever seen in a ballgame? Dave Kingman hit a speaker in the Kingdome with a towering fly that would have been a home run, but ended up being caught by the left-fielder for an out. **Prettiest play in baseball?** The back-hand play in the hole. **What would you change about baseball?** Start all night games at 7:05.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: Spinnazola's. **Thing about Fenway:** The tradition. **Way to spend an off-season weekend:** Golfing. **Recording artist:** George Strait. **Thing on which to waste money:** Nothing. **Family activity:** Spending time at home.

I liked the way Spike handled himself around the bag. He had good range, was a good fielder who could hit, had good speed and had a good head on his shoulders. Shawon Dunston (Cubs) was the best shortstop in the country that year, but Spike was right up there. He was just a good everyday kind of player who played at a good college program, against good competition.

► *Dave Chalk (former Mariners scout)*

Age: 26, Turns 27 April 19. Born: April 19, 1961, Cleburne, TX. Ht.: 5-10. Wt.: 167. Bats: Switch; Throws: Right. Home: Austin, TX. Married Gail Lockhart. Children: Jacob Spike 11/11/86. Originally signed by Seattle, June 1982.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	Boston	.259	132	437	50	113	17	7	2	48	53	43	11	13
M.L. Totals		.240	636	2153	261	516	80	31	14	194	208	228	52	76

DENNIS BOYD

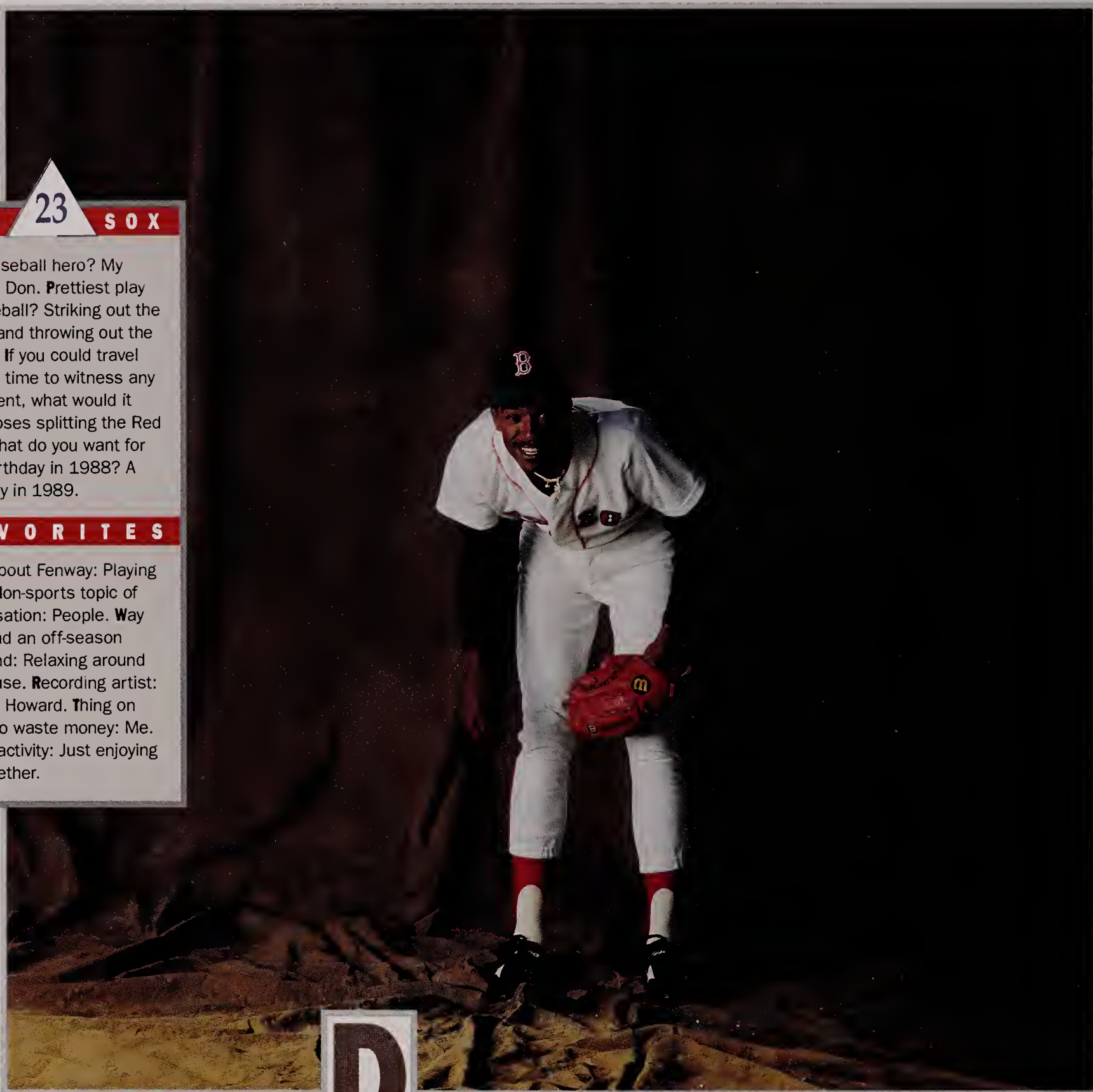
PITCHER

RED 23 SOX

First baseball hero? My brother Don. **P**rettiest play in baseball? Striking out the batter and throwing out the runner. **I**f you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be? Moses splitting the Red Sea. **W**hat do you want for your birthday in 1988? A birthday in 1989.

FAVORITES

Thing about Fenway: Playing there. **N**on-sports topic of conversation: People. **W**ay to spend an off-season weekend: Relaxing around the house. **R**ecording artist: George Howard. **T**hing on which to waste money: Me. **F**amily activity: Just enjoying life together.



Dennis had the killer instinct.

He was small in stature, but big in heart. He didn't care how big the hitter was; he used to break kids down to his size.

He had determination and all the tools to be a major leaguer.

He reminded me of Satchel Paige.

But when I saw him in street clothes, I almost changed my mind.

► *Edward Scott, Red Sox scout*

Age: 28. Born: Oct. 6, 1959, Meridian, MS. Ht.: 6-1. Wt.: 160. Brown eyes, Black hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Winter Haven, FL. Married: Karen Ramos. Children: Dennis Jr. 6/11/87. Signed by scout Edward Scott June 7, 1980.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Pawtucket	1-1	4.50	3	3	0	0	0	12.0	12	6	6	4	8
	Boston	1-3	5.89	7	7	0	0	0	36.2	47	31	24	9	12
M.L. Totals		48-47	3.95	119	112	38	6	0	828.0	863	407	363	199	474

RICH GEDMAN

CATCHER



RED 10 SOX

First baseball hero? Yaz.
Prettiest play in baseball?
 The 6-4-3 double play. **W**hat
 would you change about
 baseball? After two strikes,
 if you hit a foul ball it
 should be an out. If you
 could travel back in time to
 witness any one event,
 what would it be? Seeing
 Mark Spitz win seven gold
 medals in the Olympics.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurants:
 Spinazzola's, Ken's Steak
 House, Castle Restaurant.
Thing about Fenway: Its
 unique dimensions. **N**on-
 sports topic of conversa-
 tion: Travel. **W**ay to spend
 an off-season weekend:
 Going to the Cape, playing
 golf, taking my wife and
 son to dinner, then taking a
 walk on the beach.
Recording artists: Whitney
 Houston, Madonna.

I loved his bat. The last high
 school game I ever saw Rich he went 5-for-5 with two
 home runs. He never caught in high school. He played mostly first
 base and he pitched pretty well. He had a real
 good arm, though, and he had the potential to be what I
 thought was a good catcher.

► *Bill Enos, Red Sox scout*

Age: 28, Turns 29 Sept. 26. Born: Sept. 26, 1959, Worcester, MA. Ht.: 6-0. Wt.: 215. Blue eyes, Brown hair. Bats: Left,
 Throws: Right. Home: Framingham, MA. Signed by scout Bill Enos, Aug. 5, 1977. Married Sherry Aselton. Children:
 Michael Richard 2/20/87.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	Boston	.205	52	151	11	31	8	0	1	13	10	24	0	8
M.L. Totals		.269	708	2282	255	614	141	12	70	301	160	346	3	68

TODD BENZINGER

OUTFIELDER

RED 38 SOX

Most amazing thing you've ever seen in a ballgame? A couple of Sam Horn's home runs in the minor leagues. What would you change about baseball? I'd find a way to quicken the pace of the game to hold the casual fan's interest. If you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be? The Monterey Pop Festival in 1967. What do you want for your birthday in 1988? A briefcase.

FAVORITES

Non-sports topic of conversation: Current events. Way to spend an off-season weekend: Catching up with people I don't see during the season. Thing on which to waste money: Renting videos and buying music.



Todd could hit equally well

from both sides of the plate, which you just don't find in a high school kid. I remember when Larry Thomas, our scout in the Cincinnati area, recommended Todd to us for the draft. He was very adamant about our getting him. When scouts are that vehement, you do your best to draft the kid, and we were lucky we were able to get him.

► *Eddie Kasko, Red Sox Director of Scouting*

Age: 25. Born: Feb. 11, 1963, Dayton, KY. Ht.: 6-1. Wt.: 185. Blue eyes, Brown hair. Bats: Switch, Throws: Right. Home: Cincinnati, OH. Signed by scout Larry Thomas, June 15, 1981.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	Pawtucket	.323	65	257	47	83	17	3	13	49	16	41	7	2
	Boston	.278	73	223	36	62	11	1	8	43	22	41	5	2
M.L. Totals		.278	73	223	36	62	11	1	8	43	22	41	5	2

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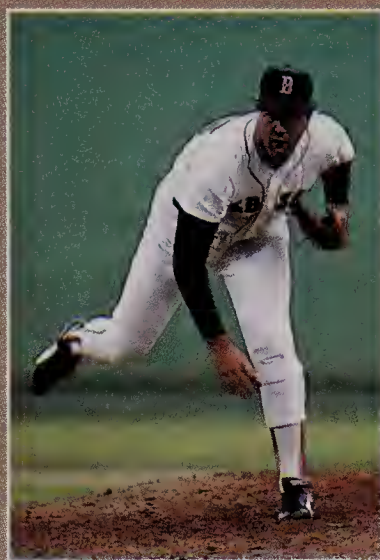
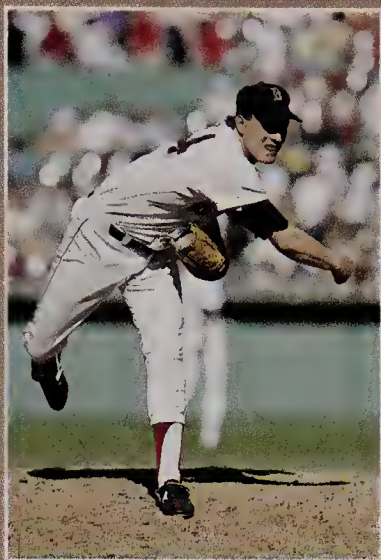
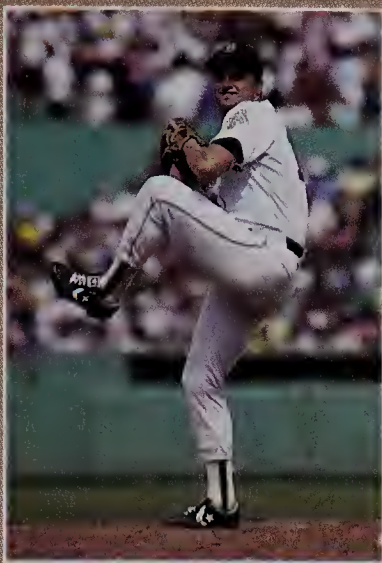
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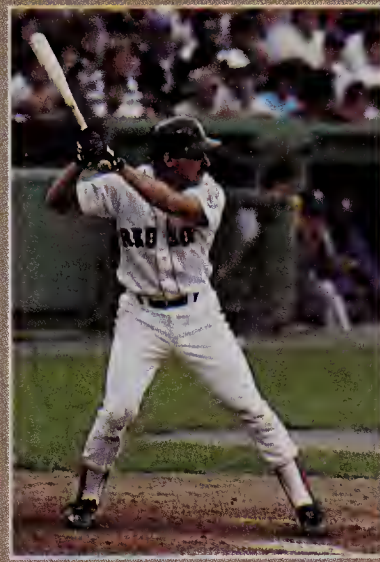
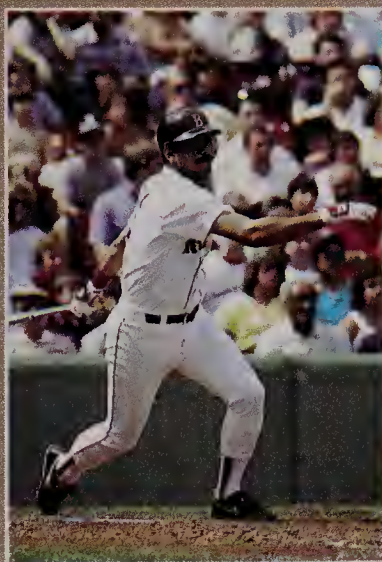
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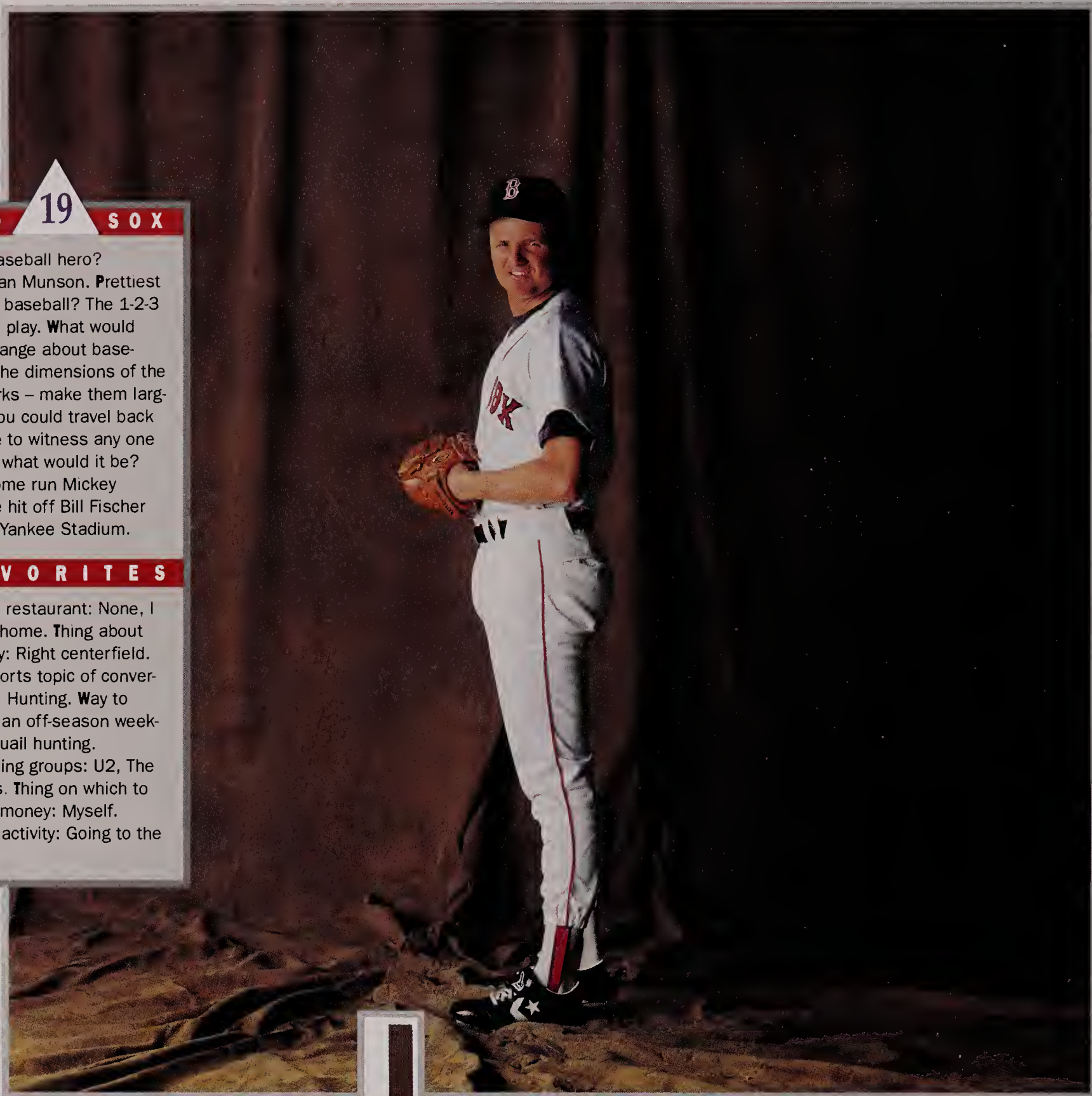
PITCHER

RED 19 SOX

First baseball hero? Thurman Munson. **P**rettiest play in baseball? The 1-2-3 double play. **W**hat would you change about baseball? The dimensions of the ballparks – make them larger. **I**f you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be? The home run Mickey Mantle hit off Bill Fischer out of Yankee Stadium.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: None, I eat at home. **T**hing about Fenway: Right centerfield. **N**on-sports topic of conversation: Hunting. **W**ay to spend an off-season weekend: Quail hunting. **R**ecording groups: U2, The Smiths. **T**hing on which to waste money: Myself. **F**amily activity: Going to the beach.



Jeff showed real good stuff and his ball really moved. I once saw him pitch against Rob Parkins, another boy I drafted (first round, 1982), in a high school game in southern California. Everyone was there to watch Parkins. But I thought Sellers had better stuff and I made a mental note to myself that I had to see this kid again. He was a real tough competitor. He never gave in to the hitter.

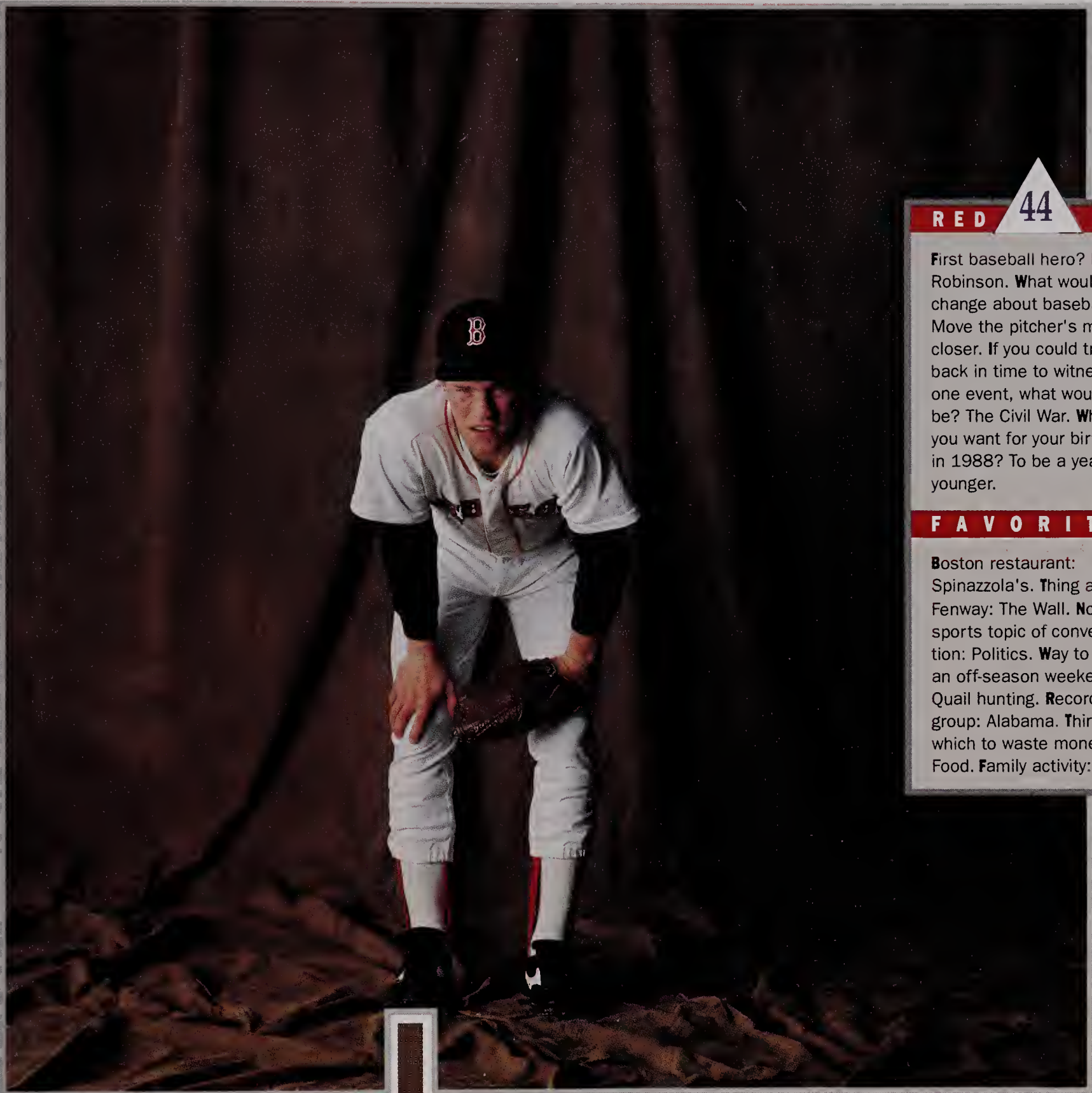
► *Joe Stephenson, Red Sox scout*

Age: 23, Turns 24 May 11. Born: May 11, 1964, Compton, CA. Ht.: 6-0. Wt.: 195. Blue eyes, Blond hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Long Beach, CA. Signed by scout Joe Stephenson, June 12, 1982. Married Laura Marraccini. Children: Jeffrey Jr. 6/3/84, Justin Ryan 1/31/88.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Pawtucket	3-2	2.37	5	5	1	0	0	38.0	36	13	10	19	35
	Boston	7-8	5.28	25	22	4	2	0	139.2	161	85	82	61	99
M.L. Totals		12-15	5.02	43	39	6	2	0	244.0	275	151	136	108	156

WES GARDNER

PITCHER



RED 44 SOX

First baseball hero? Brooks Robinson. **What would you change about baseball?** Move the pitcher's mound closer. **If you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be?** The Civil War. **What do you want for your birthday in 1988?** To be a year younger.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: Spinazzola's. **Thing about Fenway:** The Wall. **Non-sports topic of conversation:** Politics. **Way to spend an off-season weekend:** Quail hunting. **Recording group:** Alabama. **Thing on which to waste money:** Food. **Family activity:** Travel.

I saw Wes in high school and he didn't really stand out. He had a very good sophomore year at Central Arkansas (University). I remember he outdueled Jim Winn (now with the White Sox) in a real fine performance. He had that loose arm and great make-up. A great kid all around.

► *Joe Mason, Mets scout*

Age: 26, Turns 27 Apr. 29. Born: April 29, 1961, Benton, AR. Ht.: 6-4. Wt.: 203. Hazel eyes, Brown hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Benton, AR. Married: Joy Winkleman. Originally signed by New York Mets, June 9, 1982.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Pawtucket	1-0	3.12	5	0	0	0	2	8.2	8	3	3	3	9
	Boston	3-6	5.42	49	1	0	0	10	89.2	98	55	54	42	70
M.L. Totals		4-9	5.63	80	1	0	0	11	128.0	151	89	80	58	101

BOB STANLEY

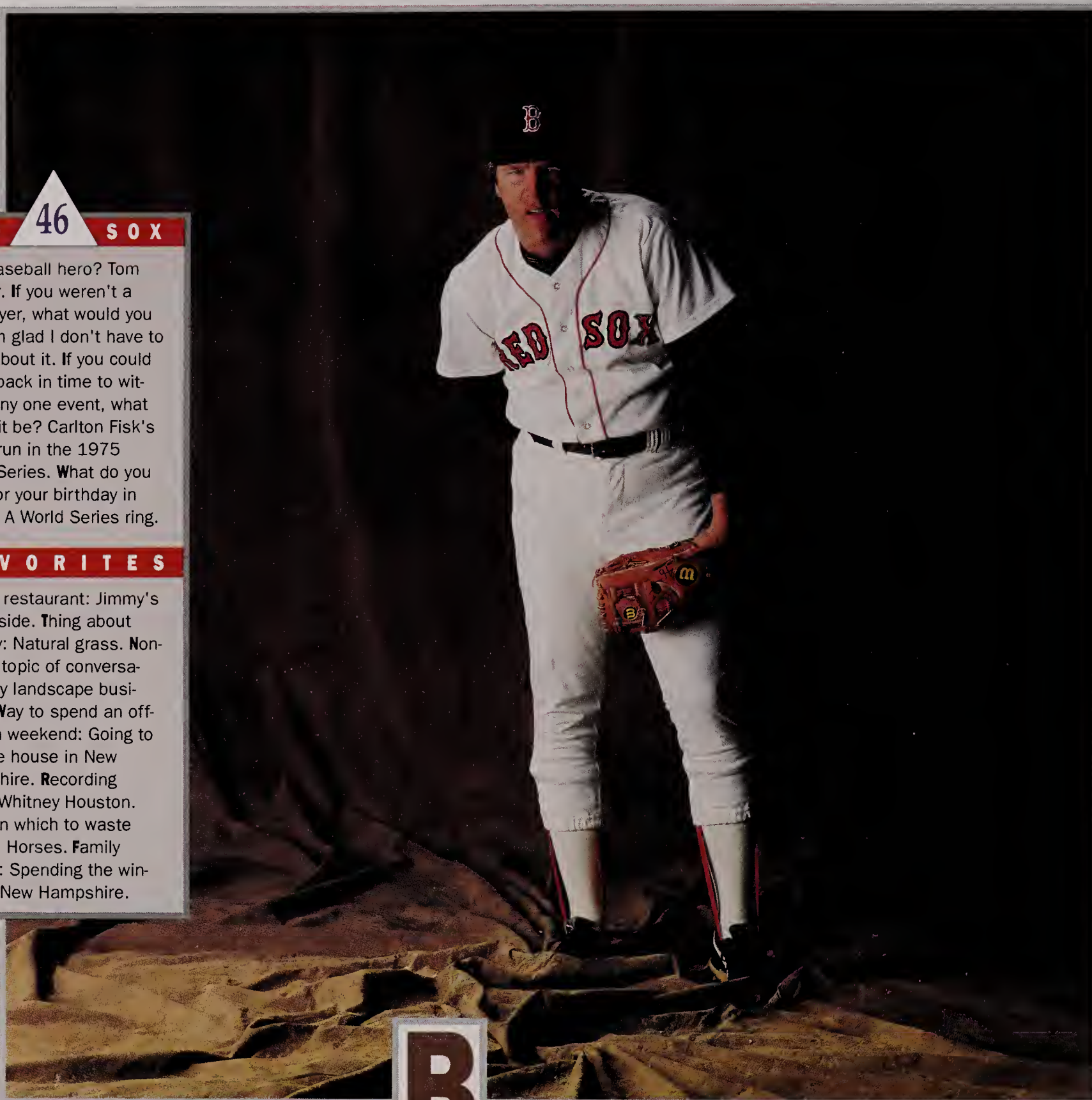
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RED 46 SOX

First baseball hero? Tom Seaver. If you weren't a ballplayer, what would you be? I'm glad I don't have to think about it. If you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be? Carlton Fisk's home run in the 1975 World Series. What do you want for your birthday in 1988? A World Series ring.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: Jimmy's Harborside. Thing about Fenway: Natural grass. Non-sports topic of conversation: My landscape business. Way to spend an off-season weekend: Going to my lake house in New Hampshire. Recording artist: Whitney Houston. Thing on which to waste money: Horses. Family activity: Spending the winters in New Hampshire.



B

ob was a shortstop in high school and then he'd come in to pitch. I don't know if it was because his arm was tired by the time he came into a game, but he had the sinker even then. He was drafted by the Dodgers, but he wanted to go to school. He wasn't in college long and he was eligible to be drafted again. That's when we signed him.

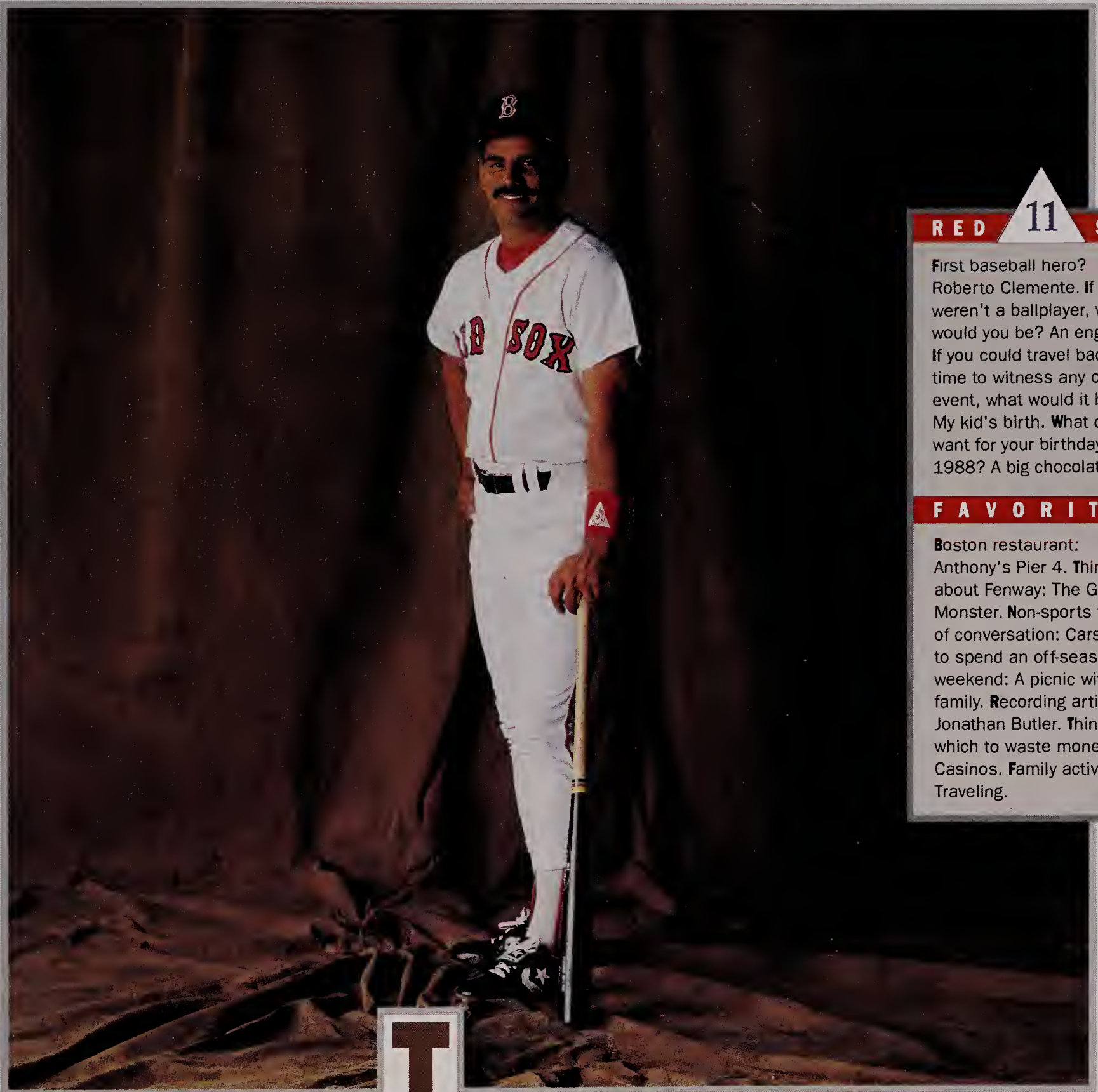
► Matt Sczesny, Red Sox scout

Age: 33. Born: Nov. 10, 1954, Portland, ME. Ht.: 6-4. Wt.: 225. Brown eyes, Brown hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Wenham, MA. Signed by scout Matt Sczesny January 19, 1974. Married: Joan Mathers. Children: Kristin Elizabeth 8/30/79, Kyle Robert 1/19/81, Kerri Ann 8/23/82.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Boston	4-15	5.01	34	20	4	1	0	152.2	198	96	85	42	67
M.L. Totals		104-91	3.60	537	85	21	7	123	1526.0	1666	702	611	416	604

ED ROMERO

INFIELDER



RED 11 SOX

First baseball hero? Roberto Clemente. **If you weren't a ballplayer, what would you be?** An engineer. **If you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be?** My kid's birth. **What do you want for your birthday in 1988?** A big chocolate cake.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: Anthony's Pier 4. **Thing about Fenway:** The Green Monster. **Non-sports topic of conversation:** Cars. **Way to spend an off-season weekend:** A picnic with my family. **Recording artist:** Jonathan Butler. **Thing on which to waste money:** Casinos. **Family activity:** Traveling.

The first time I saw Eddie was in an amateur league in Cidra, a little town in the countryside of Puerto Rico. I remember he could play third, second, and short, and even pitch. He had good soft hands, a good arm, could run well, came from a nice family, and was well-educated. I guaranteed his family he would eventually make it to the big leagues. He was one of the best kids I ever saw — a real gentleman.

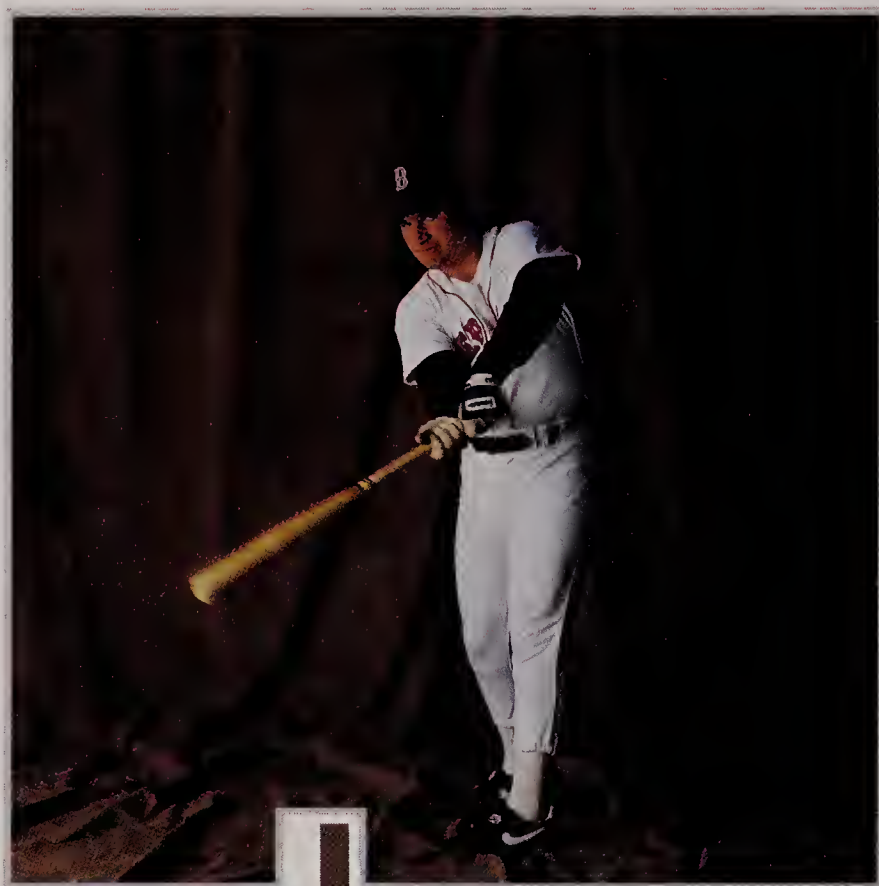
► *Felix Delgado, Brewers scout*

Age: 30. Born: Dec. 9, 1957, Santurce, PR. Ht.: 5-11. Wt.: 180. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: West Palm Beach, FL. Married Ivonne. Children: Edgardo Jr. 10/14/79, Ariana 1/31/85. Originally signed by Milwaukee, November 14, 1975.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	Boston	.272	88	235	23	64	5	0	0	14	18	22	0	6
M.L. Totals		.252	599	1585	189	400	65	1	7	136	124	130	9	75

JOHN MARZANO

CATCHER

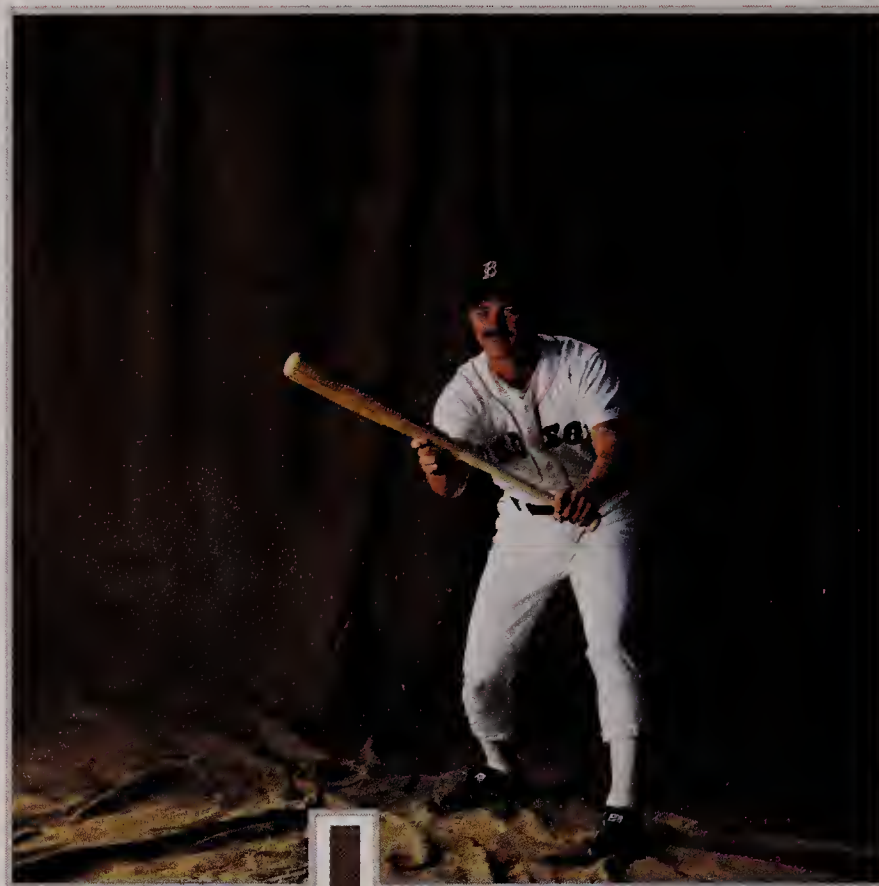


John did all the things an athletic player does. He had good hands, a good hard throw. I was impressed with his make-up. He was a Thurman Munson or Rick Dempsey-type – a very aggressive player. Every time I looked at him – because he was from South Philly – he reminded me of Rocky Balboa.

► Phil Rossi, Red Sox scout

JODY REED

SHORTSTOP



I liked Jody's make-up even in high school, but I didn't think he was ready then. After a couple of years of college and after he grew out a little he was a fine player with a good arm and was a real gutty kid. he was a leader-type; in the Rick Burleson mold. He used to fool you with the things he could do. He was a good contact hitter who had a good idea of the strike zone.

► George Digby, Red Sox scout

RED 20 SOX

First baseball hero? Mike Schmidt. Prettiest play in baseball? Throwing out a baserunner to end an inning. What would you change about baseball? I'd have interleague play. If you weren't a ballplayer, what would you be? A teacher.

FAVORITES

Thing about Fenway: Every seat is a good seat. Non-sports topic of conversation: My daughter, Danielle. Way to spend an off-season weekend: Taking my wife and baby to the mountains in Pennsylvania. Recording artist or group: I listen to everything and anything. Thing on which to waste money: Nintendo games. Family activity: Going to Sea World and Disney World during spring training.

Age: 25. Born: February 14, 1963. Philadelphia, PA. Ht.: 5-11. Wt.: 197. Brown eyes, Brown hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Philadelphia, PA. Signed by scout Phil Rossi, August 21, 1984. Married Terri Cava. Children: Danielle Allegra 12/2/87.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	Pawtucket	.282	70	255	46	72	22	0	10	35	21	50	2	8
	Boston	.244	52	168	20	41	11	0	5	24	7	41	0	5
M.L. Totals		.244	52	168	20	41	11	0	5	24	7	41	0	5

RED 3 SOX

First baseball hero? Fred Patek. If you weren't a ballplayer, what would you be? Private investigator. If you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be? The life and times of Jesus and Bobby Thomson's home run. What do you want for your birthday in 1988? To be the starting shortstop for Boston.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: The No Name. Thing about Fenway: The fans. Non-sports topic of conversation: Women. Way to spend an off-season weekend: Golfing, fishing, going to the beach. Recording artist or group: Expose, Kenny G. Thing on which to waste money: Women. Family activity: Golfing.

Age: 25, Turns 26 July 26. Born: July 26, 1962, Tampa, FL. Ht.: 5-9. Wt.: 160. Hazel eyes, Brown hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Brandon, FL. Signed by scout George Digby, June 11, 1984.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	Pawtucket	.296	136	510	77	151	22	2	7	51	69	23	9	20
	Boston	.300	9	30	4	9	1	1	0	8	4	0	1	0
M.L. Totals		.300	9	30	4	9	1	1	0	8	4	0	1	0



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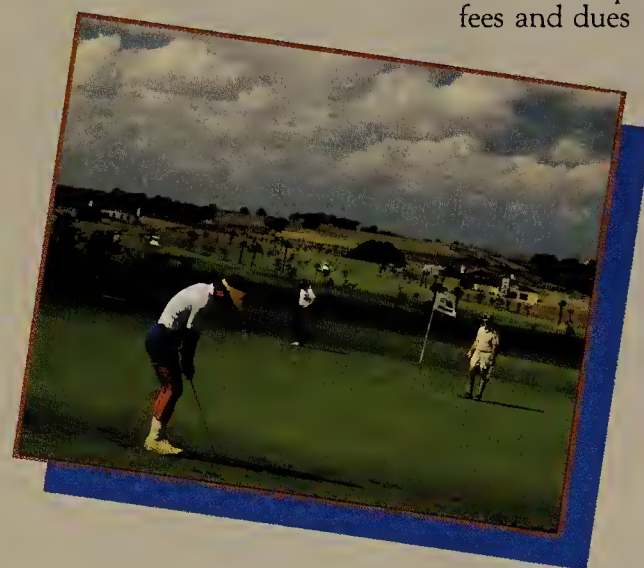
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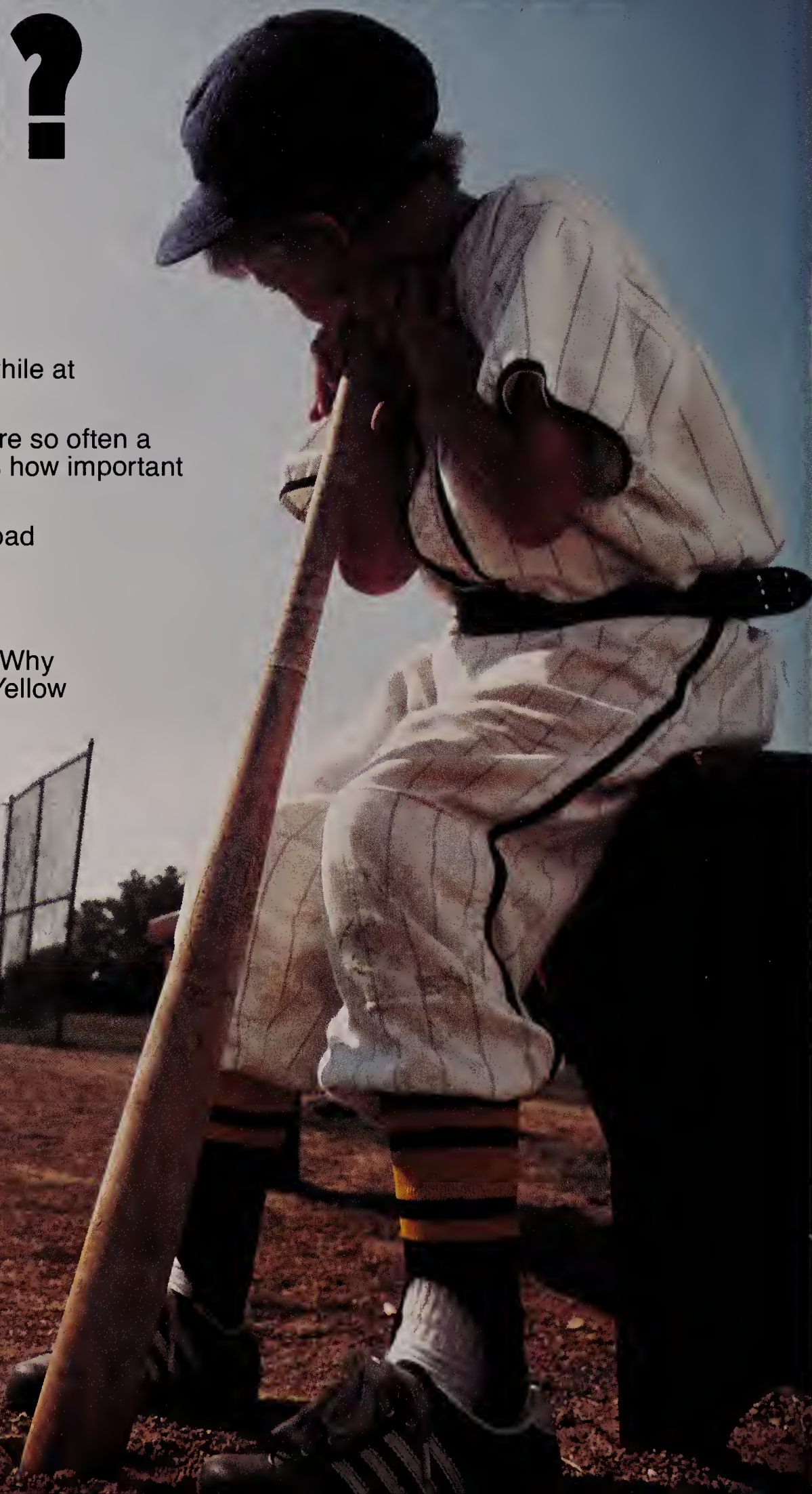
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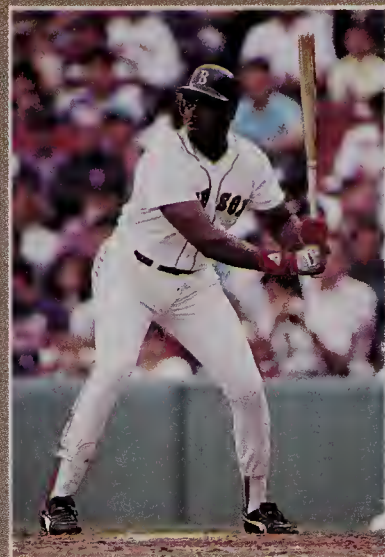
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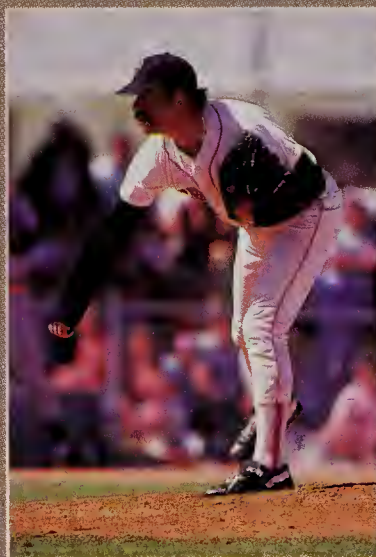
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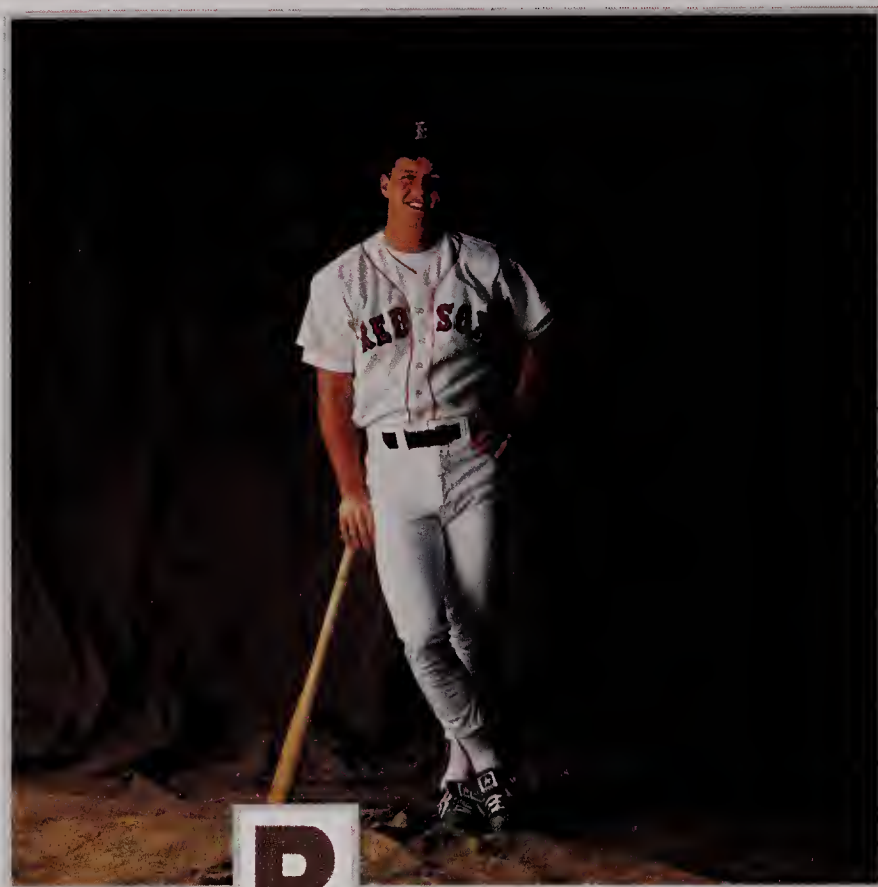


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BRADY ANDERSON

OUTFIELDER



Brady had natural instincts in the outfield, which is very rare for a kid that young. He made all the plays and he made tough catches look routine. I saw him out of high school and he wasn't physically mature. He really started growing and getting stronger when he was in college and there he really started to hit the ball with authority. He had the good speed, too.

► Joe Stephenson, Red Sox scout

RED 5 SOX

First baseball hero? Ted Williams. Most amazing thing you've ever seen in a ballgame? A groundskeeper in the Mexican League who set himself on fire three times while trying to dry out the field with gasoline. Prettiest play in baseball? A bases-loaded triple in the gap. If you weren't a ballplayer, what would you be? Something where I could wear a suit and take long lunches.

FAVORITES

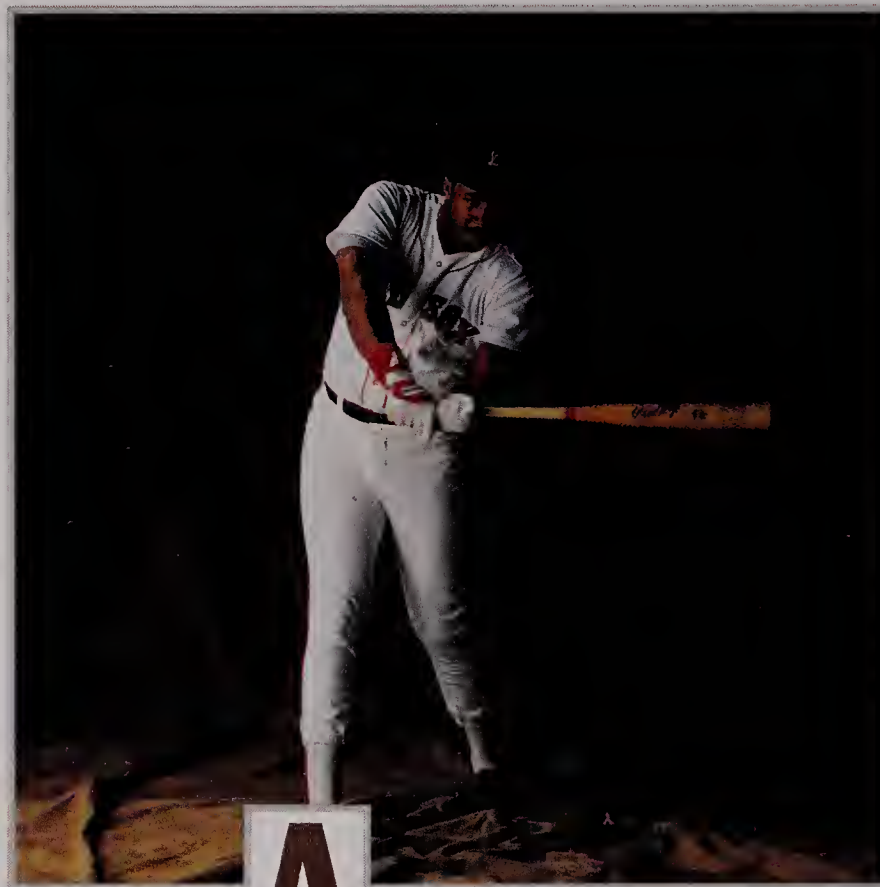
Way to spend an off-season weekend: Working out, then going to dinner and a movie. Thing on which to waste money: Long distance phone calls. Family activity: Playing golf with my dad.

Age: 24. Born: Jan. 18, 1964, Silver Spring, MD. Ht.: 6-1. Wt.: 190. Blue eyes, Brown hair. Bats and Throws: Left. Home: Poway, CA. Signed by scout Joe Stephenson, June 10, 1985.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	New Britain	.294	52	170	30	50	4	3	6	35	45	24	7	2
	Pawtucket	.380	23	79	18	30	4	0	2	8	16	8	2	0

SAM HORN

DESIGNATED HITTER



An awesome high school player. I mean *awesome*. The first two weeks of Sam's senior year he hit six or seven homers. Then, the pitchers stopped pitching to him. One coach walked him three straight times. He's the type of hitter I'd always looked for. I hadn't seen one before him and probably will never see another quite like him.

► Ray Boone, Red Sox scout

RED 30 SOX

Prettiest play in baseball? A home run hit out of sight. What would you change about baseball? I'd make the East Coast teams play in the west during the cold months. If you weren't a ballplayer, what would you be in? Real estate, car sales, or acting. If you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be? Jackie Robinson just starting out in the major leagues.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: Scotch and Sirloin. Thing about Fenway: The closed-in feeling of the park and the warm atmosphere created by the fans. Way to spend an off-season weekend: In Jamaica. Recording artist or group: Michael Jackson, Prince, Salt and Pepper.

Age: 24. Born: November 2, 1963, Dallas, TX. Ht.: 6-5. Wt.: 240. Brown eyes, Black hair. Bats and Throws: Left. Home: Birmingham, AL. Signed by scout Ray Boone, June 10, 1982. Married Debra Rich. Children: Briona LaShea 1/1/88.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	Pawtucket	.321	94	333	57	107	19	0	30	84	33	88	0	2
	Boston	.278	46	158	31	44	7	0	14	34	17	55	0	0
M.L. Totals		.278	46	158	31	44	7	0	14	34	17	55	0	0

DENNIS LAMP

PITCHER



Dennis had a lot of cool for a high school kid. He was a comedian of sorts, but a real intense competitor. When I asked his father what kind of bonus he was looking for, his dad said: "Gene, if he doesn't play baseball, I don't know what he'll do." I said you just earned your son an extra \$2,500 for your honesty.

► Gene Handley, Chicago Cubs scout

ED LYNCH

PITCHER



The thing I remember about Eddie was that he threw all strikes. He was just a 22nd round pick by Texas in the draft, but from the very first day I saw him, I felt he was an overachiever. I was his first manager in pro ball (Sarasota) and I remember he had a good make-up even then.

► Joe Klein, former Rangers scout

RED 15 SOX

Most amazing thing you've ever seen in a ballgame? I was the starting pitcher in a 23-22 game between the Cubs and Phillies. If you weren't a ballplayer, what would you be? A broadcaster. If you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be? Johnny Vandemeer's back-to-back no-hitters. What do you want for your birthday in 1988? A 10-speed bike.

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: Anthony's Pier 4. Thing about Fenway: Fenway Franks. Non-sports topic of conversation: Music. Recording artist: Peter Gabriel. Thing on which to waste money: Record albums. Family activity: Visiting Boston's museums.

Age: 35, Turns 36 Sept. 23. Born: Sept. 23, 1952, Los Angeles, CA. Ht.: 6-3. Wt.: 215. Hazel eyes, Black hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Cohasset, MA. Married: Janet Paul. Children: Hillary 3/20/80, Caroline 8/9/84. Originally signed by Chicago Cubs, June 1977.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Tacoma	1-0	2.92	6	0	0	0	0	12.1	9	4	4	8	10
	Oakland	1-3	5.08	36	5	0	0	0	56.2	76	38	32	22	36
M.L. Totals		75-79	3.95	432	162	21	7	33	1410.1	1510	708	619	433	626

RED 25 SOX

Most amazing thing you've ever seen in a ballgame? The 19-inning game between the Mets and the Braves on July 4, 1985, ending at 3:45 a.m. Prettiest play in baseball? A triple. If you weren't a ballplayer, what would you be in? Law or medicine. If you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be? Smoky Joe Wood beating Walter Johnson, 1-0, at Fenway Park in 1913.

FAVORITES

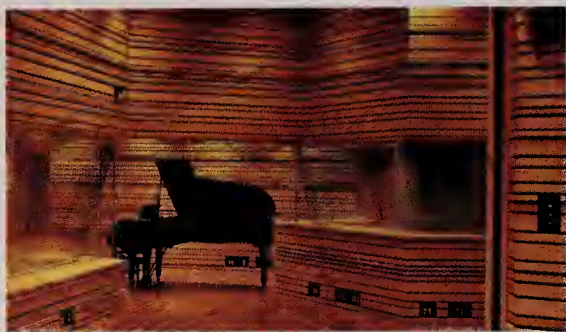
Non-sports topic of conversation: Current events. Way to spend an off-season weekend: Going to the beach with my family. Recording group: Alabama. Thing on which to waste money: My wife and baby. Family activity: Having a big, homecooked dinner at my mom and dad's house.

Age: 32. Born: February 25, 1956, Brooklyn, NY. Ht.: 6-5. Wt.: 210. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Miami, FL. Originally signed by Texas, June 1977. Married: Kristin.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Chicago (NL)	2-9	5.38	58	8	0	0	4	110.1	130	74	66	48	80
M.L. Totals		47-54	4.00	248	119	8	2	8	939.2	1050	470	418	229	396

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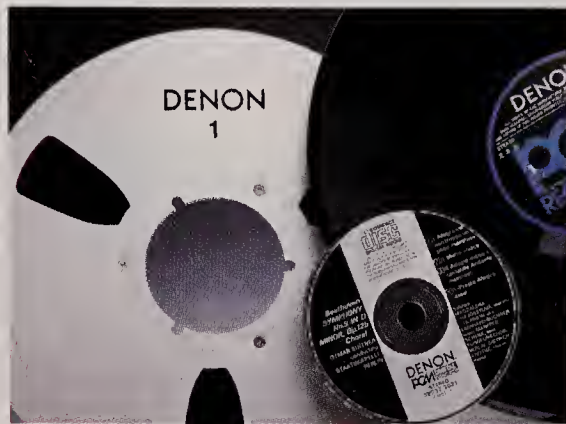
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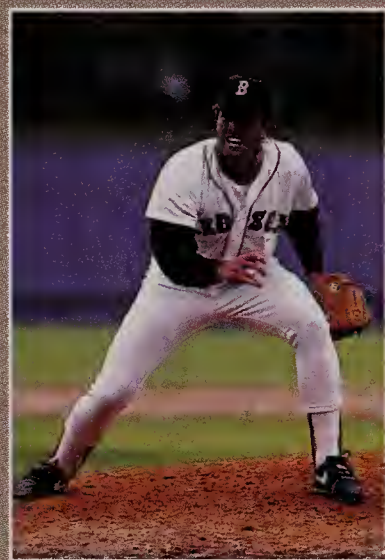
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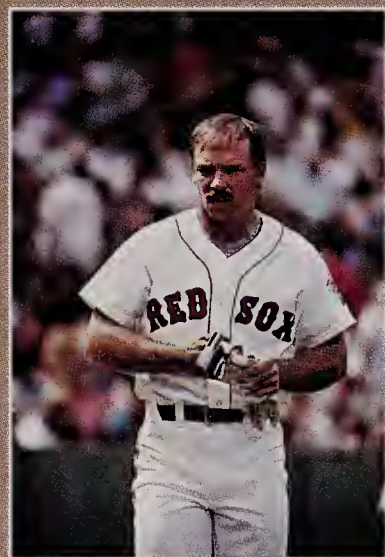
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THE PLAYERS



MIKE SMITHSON

JOHN TRAUTWEIN



RANDY KUTCHERA

KEVIN ROMINE

MIKE SMITHSON

PITCHER



Mike always came out late for baseball because he loved basketball. He was Bernard King's back-up at the University of Tennessee. He was a green country kid with a good arm. He didn't have anything but a good moving fastball in college, but we thought if he started applying himself to baseball, he'd develop into a fine pitcher.

► George Digby, Red Sox scout

RED 41 SOX

Most amazing thing you've ever seen in a ballgame? Dave Kingman hitting a ball through a hole in the Metrodome roof. What would you change about baseball? Pitchers wouldn't have to shag during batting practice. If you weren't a ballplayer, what would you be? Independently wealthy.

FAVORITES

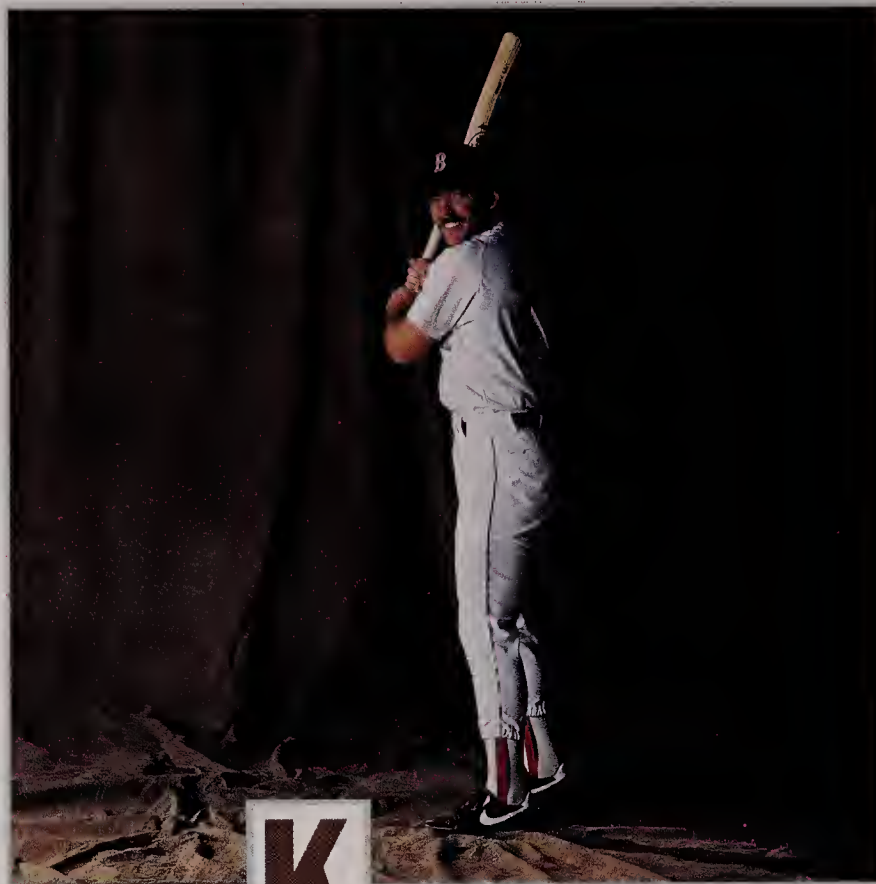
Boston restaurant: Francesca's. Thing about Fenway: P.A. announcer Sherm Feller. Non-sports topic of conversation: My daughter Kelly. Way to spend an off-season weekend: Spending time with family and friends. Recording artist or group: Anita Baker, The Judds. Thing on which to waste money: Myself. Family activity: Trying to make them happy.

Age: 33. Born: Jan. 21, 1955, Centerville, TN. Ht.: 6-8. Wt.: 215. Green eyes, Auburn hair. Bats: Left, Throws: Right. Home: Bellview, TN. Signed by scout George Digby (Red Sox) June 13, 1976. Married Jenny Parker. Children: Kelly 4/3/86.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Port. Minn.	3-2	4.97	6	6	2	0	0	38.0	36	22	21	17	31
		4-7	5.94	21	20	0	0	0	109.0	126	76	72	38	53
M.L. Totals		60-66	4.37	169	167	39	5	0	1086.0	1154	574	527	311	597

KEVIN ROMINE

OUTFIELDER



Kevin could run, swing the bat and play an excellent outfield — a complete ballplayer at Arizona State. He got a good jump on the ball, went back on it well. As a sophomore he was one of the top seven players in college baseball. I always thought he'd be an everyday player in the big leagues.

► Ray Boone, Red Sox scout

RED 16 SOX

First baseball hero? Ted Williams. What would you change about baseball? I'd move the pitcher's mound back. If you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be? The birth of my child. What do you want for your birthday in 1988? An off-day.

FAVORITES

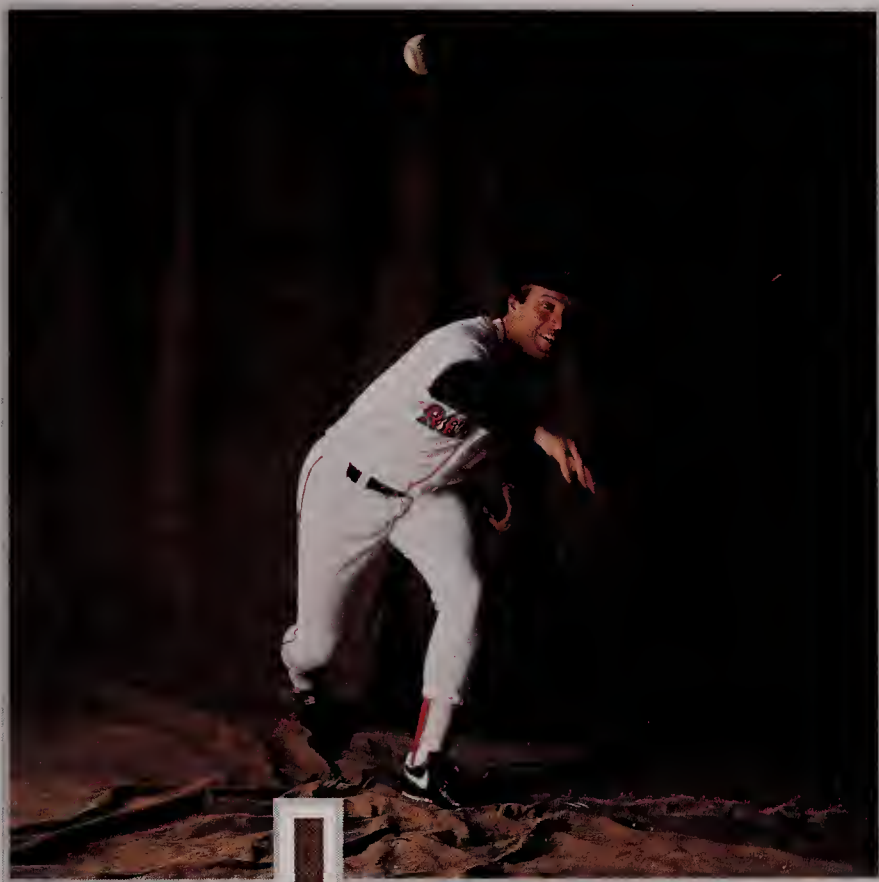
Thing about Fenway: Its nostalgia. Non-sports topic of conversation: Business. Way to spend an off-season weekend: With my family. Recording group: Heart. Thing on which to waste money: Me

Age: 26, Turns 27 May 23. Born: May 23, 1961, Exeter, NH. Ht.: 5-11. Wt.: 185. Blue eyes, Blonde hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Fountain Valley, CA. Signed by scout Ray Boone, June 17, 1982. Married: June Ann Reynolds. Children: Janelle 11/11/82, Andrew 12/24/85.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	Pawtucket	.267	129	491	72	131	24	1	11	52	64	70	21	3
	Boston	.292	9	24	5	7	2	0	0	2	2	6	0	0
M.L. Totals		.253	68	87	13	22	6	0	0	5	6	19	3	0

JOHN TRAUTWEIN

PITCHER



John's ball moves very well and he has a real good slider. The three-quarter side-arm motion is tough on righthanded hitters and he pitches to lefthanders pretty well. He's a very intelligent and gutsy pitcher. He goes after hitters.

► George Digby, Red Sox scout

RANDY KUTCHER

OUTFIELDER



I described Randy as a Pete Rose-type player in my report after watching him six or seven times in high school. I was impressed with his aggressiveness and hustle. He was so excited about being signed that he wanted to leave high school and not graduate. I told him to finish school. He did. He had a great love for the game.

► George Genovese, San Francisco Giants scout

RED 42 SOX

First baseball hero? Tom Seaver. Most amazing thing you've ever seen in a ballgame? Seaver striking out 10 in a row. If you weren't a ballplayer, what would you be in? A chemistry-related profession. If you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be? Northwestern winning the 1949 Rose Bowl over U. Calif. (20-14).

FAVORITES

Boston restaurant: Cheers (the closest I've ever been to a Boston restaurant). Thing about Fenway: Its originality. Non-sports topic of conversation: Music. Way to spend an off-season weekend: Relaxing at home. Recording artist or group: Elvis, The Beatles. Thing on which to waste money: Movies. Family activity: Vacationing on the south Jersey shore.

Age: 25, Turns 26 Aug. 7. Born: Aug. 7, 1962, Lafayette Hills, PA. Ht.: 6-3. Wt.: 195. Blue eyes, Brown hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Barrington, IL. Originally signed by Helena (Independent) June 13, 1984.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Jacksonville	15-4	2.87	56	1	0	0	3	106.2	92	43	34	42	85

RED 55 SOX

First baseball hero? Pete Rose. What would you change about baseball? Move the pitcher back five feet. If you weren't a ballplayer, what would you be? A carpenter. If you could travel back in time to witness any one event, what would it be? Willie Mays making that famous over-the-shoulder catch in the World Series.

FAVORITES

Non-sports topic of conversation: My son. Way to spend an off-season weekend: Camping and fishing. Recording group: U2. Thing on which to waste money: Going to the movies. Family activity: Just being with them.

Age: 27, Turns 28 April 20. Born: April 20, 1960, Anchorage, AK. Ht.: 5-11. Wt.: 175. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Palmdale, CA. Originally signed by San Francisco. June 1979. Married Robin.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	Phoenix	.255	92	349	68	89	15	5	6	52	42	61	31	15
	San Fran.	.188	14	16	7	3	1	1	0	1	1	5	1	0
M.L. Totals		.233	85	202	35	47	10	2	7	17	12	46	7	1

1988 RED SOX



PROMOTIONS



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APRIL 16 & 17 MILLER GENUINE DRAFT CALENDAR DAYS

(Red Sox vs. Texas) at 1:05 p.m. All fans entering the ballpark on Saturday and Sunday, April 16 & 17 will receive a free Red Sox/Miller calendar. Saturday, April 16 is also a Red Sox Family game.

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(Red Sox vs. Minnesota) at 1:05 p.m. All fans entering Fenway Park on Saturday, April 30 will receive a Tropicana/Red Sox mug.

MAY 14 EQUITABLE OLD TIMERS GAME



(Red Sox vs. Seattle) at 3:05 p.m. Old Timers Game will start at 1:05. The Red Sox/Seattle Mariners' game is scheduled to start at 3:05 p.m.

MAY 21

(Red Sox vs. California) at 3:20 p.m.

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TOM BOLTON

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LHP

Age: 25, Turns 26 May 6. Born: May 6, 1962, Nashville, TN. Ht.: 6-3. Wt.: 175. Brown eyes, Brown hair. Bats and Throws: Left. Home: Brentwood, TN. Signed by scout George Digby, June 13, 1980.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Pawtucket	2-1	5.40	5	4	0	0	0	21.1	25	14	13	12	8
	Boston	1-0	4.38	29	0	0	0	0	61.2	83	33	30	27	49
	M.L. Totals	1-0	4.38	29	0	0	0	0	61.2	83	33	30	27	49



TOM BOLTON

STEVE CURRY

53

RHP

Age: 22, Turns 23 Sept. 13. Born: Sept. 13, 1965, Winter Park, FL. Ht.: 6-6. Wt.: 217. Brown eyes, Blond hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Bradenton, FL. Signed by scout George Digby, June 13, 1984.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Pawtucket	11-12	3.81	28	26	8	1	0	184.0	175	85	78	74	112

STEVE CURRY



PAT DODSON

27

FIRST BASEMAN

Age: 28. Born: October 11, 1959, Santa Monica, CA. Ht.: 6-4. Wt.: 220. Blue eyes, Brown hair. Bats and Throws: Left. Home: Inglewood, CA. Signed by scout Joe Stephenson, June 6, 1980. Married Lisa Dawson.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	Pawtucket	.275	111	367	59	101	15	1	18	72	67	83	4	14
	Boston	.167	26	42	4	7	3	0	2	6	8	13	0	0
	M.L. Totals	.222	35	54	7	12	5	0	3	9	11	16	0	0



PAT DODSON

STEVE ELLSWORTH

28

RHP

Age: 27, Turns 28 July 30. Born: July 30, 1960, Chicago, IL. Ht.: 6-8. Wt.: 220. Brown eyes, Brown hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Fresno, CA. Signed by scout Joe Stephenson, June 12, 1981.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Pawtucket	11-8	4.29	27	26	5	1	0	165.2	182	85	79	46	89

STEVE ELLSWORTH



MITCH JOHNSON

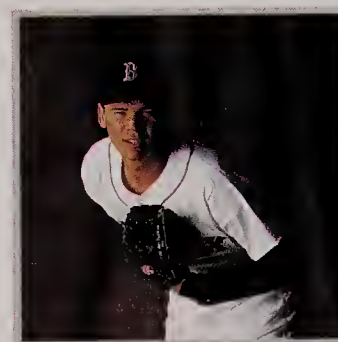
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RHP

Age: 25, Turns 26 Aug. 2. Born: Aug. 2, 1962, Columbia, PA. Ht.: 6-5. Wt.: 218. Blue eyes, Brown hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Pawtucket, RI. Married: Dalene Hummel. Signed by scout Charlie Wagner, June 9, 1980.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Pawtucket	2-4	2.82	24	0	0	0	8	44.2	38	14	14	10	31

MITCH JOHNSON



JOHN LEISTER

22

RHP

Age: 27. Born: Jan. 3, 1961, San Antonio, TX. Ht.: 6-2. Wt.: 215. Brown eyes, Black hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Corpus Christi, TX. Signed by scout Charles Koney, February 8, 1984. Married Linda Kay Wilson.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Pawtucket	11-5	3.77	21	21	4	1	0	145.2	136	69	61	52	92
	Boston	0-2	9.20	8	6	0	0	0	30.1	49	31	31	12	16
	M.L. Totals	0-2	9.20	8	6	0	0	0	30.1	49	31	31	12	16

JOHN LEISTER



ANGEL GONZALEZ

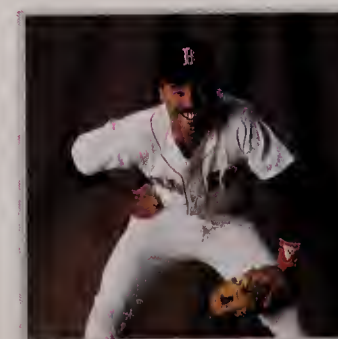
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Second Baseman

Age: 23. Born: Oct. 21, 1964, Santiago, D.R. Ht.: 5-10. Wt.: 155. Brown eyes, Black hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Santiago, D.R. Signed by scout Ramon Naranjo, Aug. 17, 1982.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	New Britain	.300	113	406	57	122	18	0	9	45	46	43	24	25
	Pawtucket	.400	10	35	4	14	4	0	0	6	3	4	0	2

ANGEL GONZALEZ



SOX ON THE RISE

GARY MILLER-JONES

52 Second Baseman

Age: 26, Turns 27 Aug. 1. Born: Aug. 1, 1961, Hyannis, MA. Ht.: 6-0. Wt.: 160. Brown eyes, Brown hair. Bats: Switch. Throws: Right. Home: Centerville, MA. Signed by scout Milt Bolling, June 10, 1982. Married: Kim Hutston. Children: Lauren and Erica 10/5/87.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	Pawtucket	.245	127	420	60	103	15	4	10	60	44	61	8	12



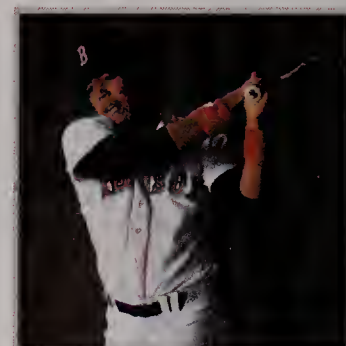
GARY MILLER-JONES

CARLOS QUINTANA

18 Outfielder

Age: 22, Turns 23 Aug. 26. born: Aug. 26, 1965, Estado Miranda, Venezuela. Ht.: 6-2. Wt.: 195. Brown eyes, Black hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: Estado Miranda, Venezuela. Signed by scout Willie Paffen, Nov. 26, 1984.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	New Britain	.311	56	206	31	64	11	3	2	31	24	33	3	2



CARLOS QUINTANA

MIKE ROCHFORD

54 LHP

Age: 24, Turns 25 Mar. 14. Bom Mar. 14, 1963, Methuen, MA. Ht.: 6-4. Wt.: 205. Brown eyes, Brown hair. Bats and Throws: Left. Home: So. Burlington, VT. Signed by scout George Digby, May 22, 1982. Married: Kathleen Aldridge.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Pawtucket	8-8	4.58	22	19	3	0	0	123.2	144	65	63	38	42



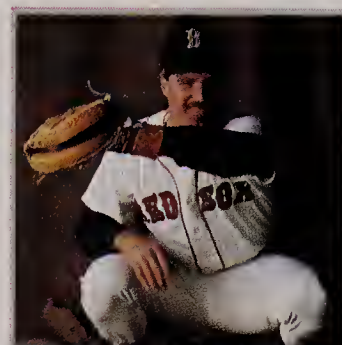
MIKE ROCHFORD

DANNY SHEAFFER

29 Catcher

Age: 26, Turns 27 Aug. 21. Born: Aug. 21, 1961, Jacksonville, FL. Ht.: 6-0. Wt.: 185. Hazel eyes, Brown hair. Bats and Throws, Right. Home: Mount Airy, NC. Signed by scout Charlie Wagner, Jan. 14, 1981. Married: LaDonna Hull.

YEAR	CLUB	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	E
1987	Pawtucket	.256	69	242	32	62	13	2	2	25	6	29	6	5
	Boston	.121	25	66	5	8	1	0	1	5	0	14	0	3
	M.L. Totals	.121	25	66	5	8	1	0	1	5	0	14	0	3



DANNY SHEAFFER

HECTOR STEWART

32 LHP

Age: 24, Turns 25 Sept. 30. Born: Sept. 30, 1963, Ponce, PR. Ht.: 6-2. Wt.: 210. Brown eyes, Black hair. Bats and Throws: Left. Home: Guaynabo, PR. Signed by scouts George Digby and Felix Maldonado, June 7, 1983.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Pawtucket	1-7	5.50	52	0	0	0	13	68.2	77	43	42	24	40



HECTOR STEWART

ROB WOODWARD

45 RHP

Age: 25, Turns 26 Sept. 28. Born: Sept. 28, 1962, Hanover, NH. Ht.: 6-3. Wt.: 212. Hazel eyes, Brown hair. Bats and Throws: Right. Home: W. Lebanon, NH. Signed by scout Bill Enos, June 14, 1981.

YEAR	CLUB	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	SV	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
1987	Pawtucket	12-8	3.51	21	21	5	0	0	136.0	134	65	53	62	82
	Boston	1-1	7.05	9	6	0	0	0	37.0	53	33	29	15	15
	M.L. Totals	4-4	4.98	23	14	0	0	0	99.1	116	67	55	35	45



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THE CRAZY EIGHTS

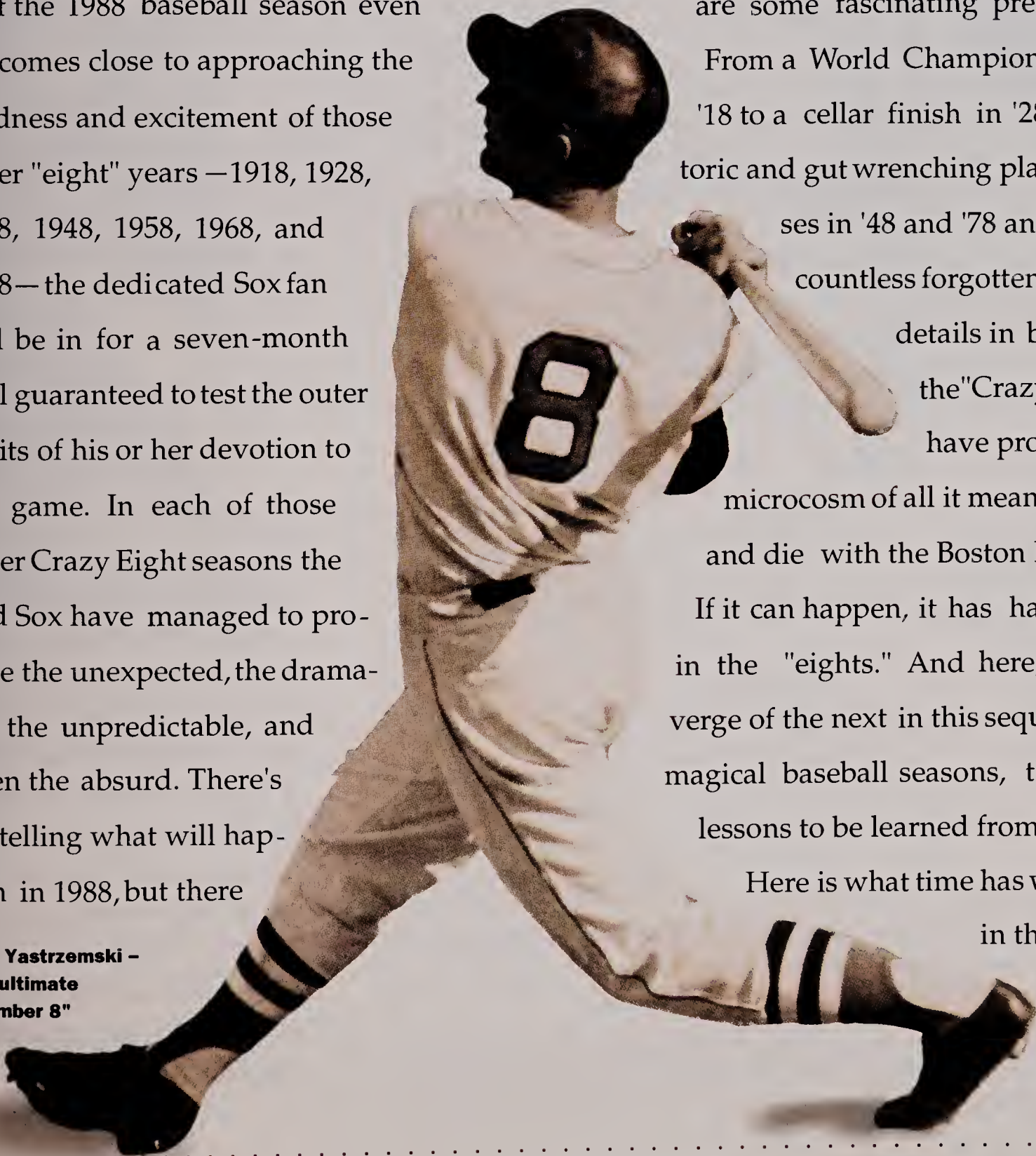
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As if Red Sox baseball history is not delightfully strange enough, things always seem to be craziest in years ending in 8. So watch out, get to Fenway early and often, and prepare for the best, worst, and weirdest in 1988 — because here comes another one ...

If the 1988 baseball season even comes close to approaching the madness and excitement of those other "eight" years — 1918, 1928, 1938, 1948, 1958, 1968, and 1978 — the dedicated Sox fan will be in for a seven-month trial guaranteed to test the outer limits of his or her devotion to the game. In each of those other Crazy Eight seasons the Red Sox have managed to provide the unexpected, the dramatic, the unpredictable, and even the absurd. There's no telling what will happen in 1988, but there

are some fascinating precedents. From a World Championship in '18 to a cellar finish in '28 to historic and gut wrenching playoff losses in '48 and '78 and to the countless forgotten bizarre details in between, the "Crazy Eights" have provided a microcosm of all it means to live and die with the Boston Red Sox. If it can happen, it has happened in the "eights." And here, on the verge of the next in this sequence of magical baseball seasons, there are lessons to be learned from history. Here is what time has wrought in the Crazy Eights.

**Carl Yastrzemski —
the ultimate
"Number 8"**



It would figure that even one of the finest hours in the crazy history of this crazy baseball team would be accompanied by an asterisk. The 1918 season would mark Boston's third World Championship in four years. The asterisk? Relatively few fans would even notice and, sadly, fewer would care.

In 1918, baseball (and the rest of America) went to war. By the end of the year the Allies were on the offensive and the Red Sox were World Champions. But meanwhile, baseball had lost a damaging public relations battle with the American people.

The year before, the military draft had wreaked havoc with major league rosters. The Sox lost 19 players to the service, and entering the 1918 season it was unclear whether or not baseball itself (much less the Red Sox) could survive the war intact.

American League president Ban Johnson pleaded with government officials to allow the sport to operate as usual. But the state department issued a "work or fight" order which ruled that baseball was a "non-essential activity" and that all players must be laboring in the war industries or be subject to inscription. The mandate took effect September 1, 1918, and baseball rushed to complete a shortened season. The war changed everything.

Forced to improvise, the Red Sox had shown remarkable foresight in the winter and spring leading up to the 1918 season, swinging several major deals with Connie Mack's Philadelphia Athletics to bolster their depleted roster. The acquisitions included outfielder Amos Strunk, pitcher Joe

Bush, catcher Wally Schang, and first baseman Stuffie McNinnis — all of whom helped fill the breach in the absence of such stars as Duffy Lewis and Herb Pennock.

In a final move of crazy genius, a 23-year-old pitcher named Babe Ruth, fresh off a 20-victory campaign in 1917 that saw him hit .325 in limited plate duty, was installed part-time in the outfield.

Behind Ruth's big bat, which brutalized the league's pitching over the first half of the season, the Sox opened by winning 11 of 14 and never looked back. The off-season transactions made a genius of manager Ed Barrow and, except for a single 24-hour period, Boston never dropped below second place. They ended the abbreviated season with a 75-51 record, three and a half games better than runner-up Cleveland.

Over in the National League the Cubs were similarly successful and, on the basis of stronger pitching, were rated narrow favorites in the World Series. But because of the war, interest in baseball was at an all-time low. Upset at the poor attendance and consequent meager share of gate receipts (which finally amounted to \$1,102.51 per player) players of both clubs threatened to strike just before Game Five began in Boston.

Johnson cried and cajoled until the players relented and took the field. But by that time, the image of the game had undergone severe damage, a patriotic public showing little patience with the perceived greed of the players. The fans wanted no part of this World Series.

Barely 15,000 diehards turned out at Fenway Park for the

1918

Starting Eight: Harry Hooper, rf; Dave Shean, 2b; Amos Strunk, cf; Dick Hoblitzell, 1b; Stuffie McNinnis, 3b; George Whiteman, lf; Everett Scott, ss; Sam Agnew, c
Record: 75-51, first place, 2 1/2 GA of Cleveland; defeated Chicago, 4 games to 2, in World Series
Manager: Ed Barrow

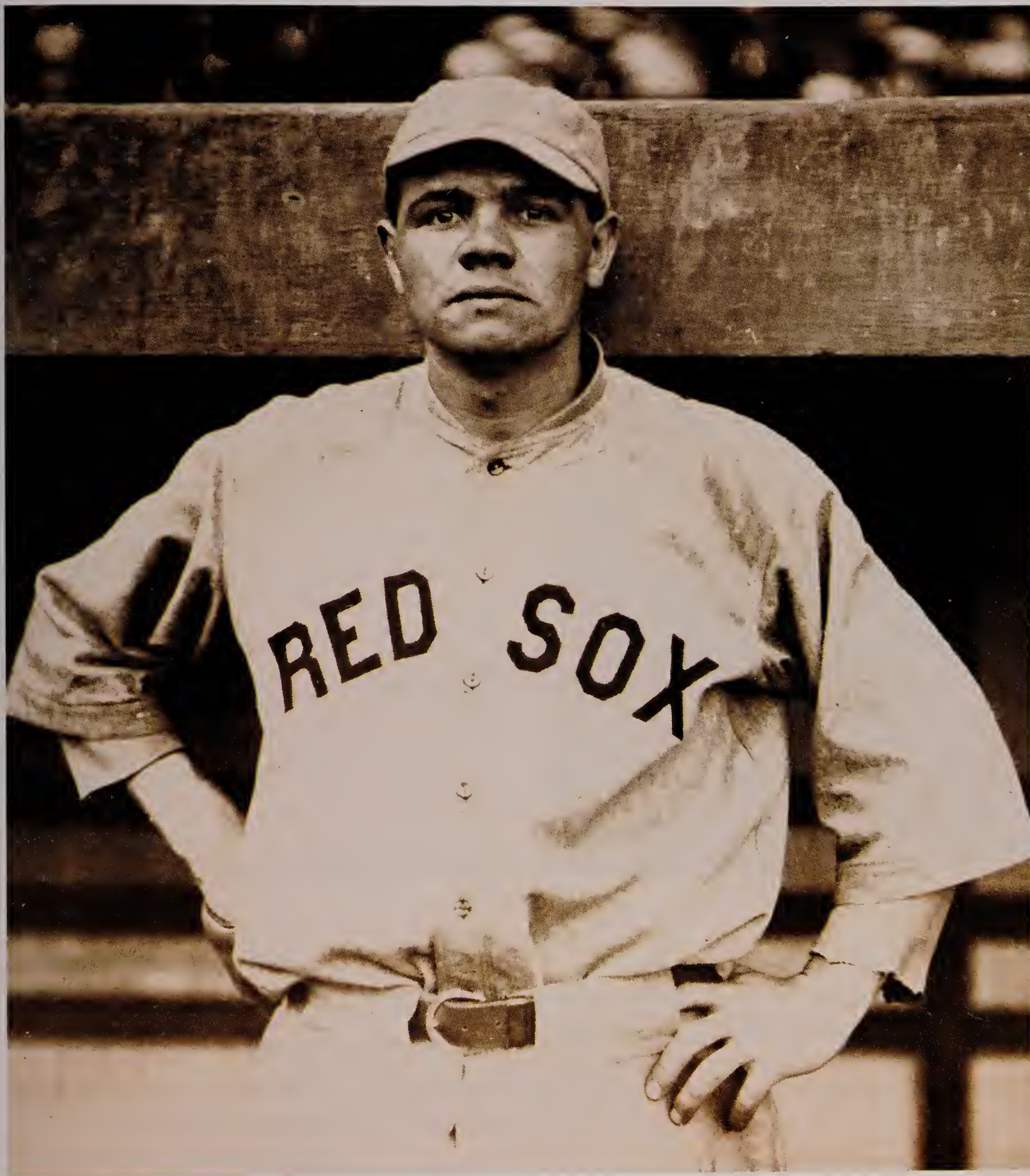
Top Hitters: OF-P Babe Ruth (11 HR, 66 RBI, .300 BA)
OF Harry Hooper (1 HR, 44 RBI, .289 BA)
1B Stuffie McNinnis (0 HR, 56 RBI, .272 BA)
Top Pitchers: Carl Mays (21-13, 2.21 ERA)
Joe Bush (15-15, 2.11 ERA)
Sad Sam Jones (16-5, 2.25 ERA)

A.L. Stat Champs: Babe Ruth, 11 HR, .555 slug. pct.; Carl Mays, 8 shutouts, 30 complete games; Sam Jones, .762 win pct.
Club Records (Still Standing): 28 shutouts won by team; P Carl Mays, 122 assists and 146 total chances
All-Stars: No All-Star Game played.
Award Winners: No major awards yet inaugurated.
Hall of Fame Members: OF Harry Hooper; OF-P Babe Ruth; P Herb Pennock (under contract, missed season)
Top Rookie: OF George Whiteman

1918: HOW CRAZY WAS IT?

It was so crazy that Babe Ruth signed a contract for \$7,000 and, as a part-time player, hit a league-leading 11 home runs (no other Sox hit more than one) ... that pitcher Carl Mays completed 30 of the 33 games he started, including both games of a doubleheader win over the A's by scores of 12-0 and 4-1 ... that Joe Bush won five complete game 1-0 shutouts ... and that third baseman Fred Thomas played in the World Series while on special furlough from the Navy!

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In 1918 the Sox made an outfielder out of a pitcher who had won 47 games the previous two years. Crazy!

sixth and final game. The masses missed the heroics of rookie outfielder George Whiteman, a virtual career minor leaguer whose hot bat kept Ruth on the bench for the bulk of the Series.

Whiteman ended up knocking in the first two Sox runs when Chicago's Max Flack misplayed his line drive, then added emphasis in the eighth with a diving catch to save

Boston's 3-2 victory and four-games-to-two Series win. As a crazy postscript to his hero-for-a-day story, Whiteman was forced to leave the game because of a neck injury and never again played in the major leagues.

When it was over, there was no outpouring of emotion by the home team's fans, no victory parades. The public saved all that for November 11, the end of World War I.

If 1918 was a season Sox fans ignored, 1928 was a year most wished they could forget. From 1922 to 1933, the Red Sox fielded some of the most inept teams in major league history. It was an era that perhaps only now, 60 years later, the team and its followers can look back on with tolerance, if not amusement. But while this exercise in futility was in progress, it wasn't very funny.

The '28 Sox, while much improved over the prior year's horrendous outfit, were still no match for their counterparts. The team started poorly, got worse, and was in last place by the final week of April. They relinquished the cellar briefly during May and June before again charging to the rear in late July and grimly holding on for the balance of the season. They closed the books at 57-96, 43 1/2 games in arrears of the Yankees.



The financial problems of the club lay at the heart of its futility. Underfinanced owner Bob Quinn simply couldn't provide the cash it took to run a competitive team and had difficulty making the payroll. He even wanted to sell Fenway and move to Braves Field.

Even the few bright spots, such as they were, had their own peculiar element of craziness. Rookie Ed Morris somehow managed a record of 19-15, accounting for a full third of the team's wins. But he would win only 23 more games the rest of his career before being stabbed to death by a jealous husband at a fish fry in 1932.

Buddy Myer, who led the team in batting (.313) and the league in stolen bases (30), was also one of the A.L.'s top fielding third basemen with only 14 errors and a league-leading 35 double plays. Crazily enough, Myer had a career of nearly 2,000 major league games, but other than his full season at the hot corner in '28, only 75 of those games would be at third.

Pitching workhorse Red Ruffing would go on to enshrinement in the Hall of Fame, but in this crazy season he went 10-25. As a seven-year member of the Red Sox, in fact, Ruffing won 39 games while losing 98. After being traded to the Yankees in 1930, he went 234-127 over the next 18 years!

It was a difficult season to be sure, but perhaps it really didn't matter that much in the scheme of things. With another team in the league having a couple of fellows named Ruth and Gehrig on their roster, everyone else was playing for second place anyway.

1918

Key Deal: OF Amos Strunk, P Joe Bush, C Wally Schang acquired from Philadelphia (A.L.) for P Vern Gregg, OF Merlin Kopp, C Pinch Thomas, and \$60,000.

Highlights: Third World Series win in four years and fifth of 15 played to date; team had best month in history (11-2 in April); Ruth continued streak to 29 2/3 consecutive scoreless innings in World Series, a record until 1961; Bush struck out 13 Detroit hitters on August 27.

1928

Starting Eight: Jack Rothrock, ss; Phil Todt, 1b; Ira Flagstead, cf; Ken Williams, lf; Buddy Myer; Bill Regan, 2b; Doug Taitt, rf; Fred Hofmann, c

Record: 57-96, eighth place, 43 1/2 GB New York

Manager: Bill Carrigan

Top Hitters: 1B Phil Todt (12 HR, 73 RBI, .252 BA)
OF Ken Williams (8 HR, 67 RBI, .303 BA)
3B Buddy Myer (1 HR, 44 RBI, .313 BA)

Top Pitchers: Ed Morris (19-15, 3.89 ERA)
Red Ruffing (10-25, 3.89 ERA)
Jack Russell (11-14, 3.84 ERA)

A.L. Stat Champs: Buddy Myer, 30 stolen bases; Red Ruffing, 25 complete games.

1928: HOW CRAZY WAS IT?

It was so crazy that a pitcher, Red Ruffing, had the team's highest batting average (.314) ... that Ruffing threw 25 complete games, and suffered 25 losses ... that second baseman Bill Regan hit two home runs in the fourth inning of a game on June 16, the second of which was inside the park ... that John Rothrock became one of only seven major league players in history to play all nine positions in a single season ... and that only five of the team's 17 pitchers won even a single game!



Myer led the 1928 club in hitting and the league in stolen bases – then was traded!

1928

Club Records (Still Standing): Red Ruffing, 25 losses.

All-Stars: No All-Star Game played.

Award Winners: None.

Hall of Fame Members: P Red Ruffing

Top Rookie: P Ed Morris

Key Deal: Purchased OF Ken Williams from St. Louis for \$10,000 (Dec 15, 1927)

Highlight: Myer hit in 28 straight games.

1938

Starting Eight: Doc Cramer, cf; Joe Vosmik, lf; Jimmie Foxx, 1b; Joe Cronin, ss;

Pinky Higgins, 3b; Ben Chapman, rf; Bobby Doerr, 2b; Gene Desautels, c

Record: 88-61, second place, 9 1/2 GB New York

Manager: Joe Cronin

Top Hitters: 1B Jimmie Foxx (50 HR, 175 RBI, .349 BA)
SS Joe Cronin (17 HR, 94 RBI, .325 BA)
OF Ben Chapman (6 HR, 80 RBI, .340 BA)

Top Pitchers: Lefty Grove (14-4, 3.08 ERA)
Jim Bagby (15-11, 4.21 ERA)
Fritz Ostermueller (13-5, 4.58 ERA) *Continued on page 74*

1938: HOW CRAZY WAS IT?

It was so crazy that Jimmie Foxx drew six walks in a nine inning game (June 16), the only time that has ever happened in A.L. history ... that Pinky Higgins made four errors in one game on May 2 ... that pitcher Lefty LeFebvre hit a home run on the first major league pitch he ever saw, and it ended up being the only pitch he saw all season ... and that Doc Cramer set a still-standing league record for most at-bats without hitting a homer (658).

What a difference 10 years made to the Red Sox — thanks to a monumental development halfway through the decade. In 1933 Thomas A. Yawkey purchased the Boston franchise from Quinn. Yawkey had millions, and didn't mind spending them to rebuild the team into the contender he felt the city so richly deserved. By 1938, his investment had begun to pay off.

After taking three of four from the Yankees in mid-April, some premature pennant talk began to surface on Jersey Street. But a loss to Holy Cross College in an exhibition game the week before should have served notice that things were still crazy in Beantown and nothing could be taken for granted.

Although Jimmie Foxx, purchased from the Athletics in 1935, got off to a tremendous start on his way to perhaps the best season of his career, lack of pitching derailed the Sox' dream.

At age 38, Lefty Grove could no longer take his regular turn in the rotation. When he did, he was still nearly invincible (14-4), but he could work in only 24 games. In the other 125, the hitting attack had to be in full gear or the team was in trouble. Nevertheless, these Red Sox were almost up to the task, hitting .299 as a team.

Foxx captured his third MVP award by hitting 50 home runs (a homer in 8.8% of his plate appearances, by the way), batting .349, and knocking in an astounding 175 runs. At Fenway, his stats were positively crazy: a .406 average with 35 homers and an awesome slugging percentage of .887. But Foxx's mortality away from home (15 homers,

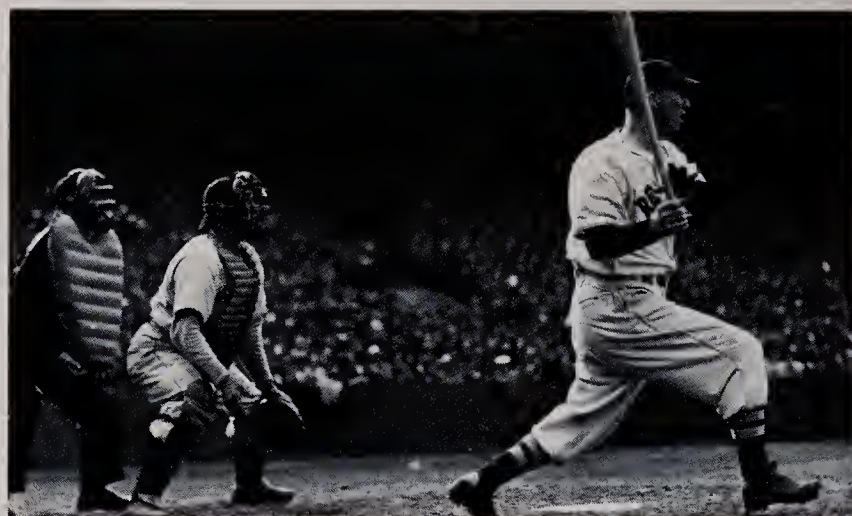
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.296) reflected the Jekyll and Hyde character of the Red Sox.

As would become the trademark of the Yawkey era, the Sox were the equal of any team in the league at Fenway: 52-23 in 1938.

But their sub-.500 road ledger would leave them in second place this season at 88-61, 9 1/2 games behind the Bronx Bombers. It was Boston's best record since 1918.

The future looked bright. With a little more pitching, a pennant was conceivable in the not-too-distant future. Rookie Bobby Doerr had taken over at second base, hit .289, and led the league by turning 118 double plays. And down on the farm was another young ballplayer the Sox brass was *crazy* about, one who vowed to become the greatest hitter of all time. Sent to the Minneapolis minor league club on March 16, 1938, he would return in '39 to try to fulfill those expectations. His name was Ted Williams.



Swinging Lefty Grove , age 38 , led the league in ERA

1938

A.L. Stat Champs: Jimmie Foxx, .349 BA, 175 RBI, 398 total bases, .704 slug pct., 119 BB; Joe Vosmik, 201 hits; Joe Cronin, 51 2B; Doc Cramer, 658 AB; Lefty Grove, 3.07 ERA.

Club Records (Still Standing): Jimmie Foxx, 50 HR, 92 extra base hits, 175 RBI, 153 double plays.

All-Stars: SS Joe Cronin; OF Doc Cramer; 1B Jimmie Foxx; P Lefty Grove.

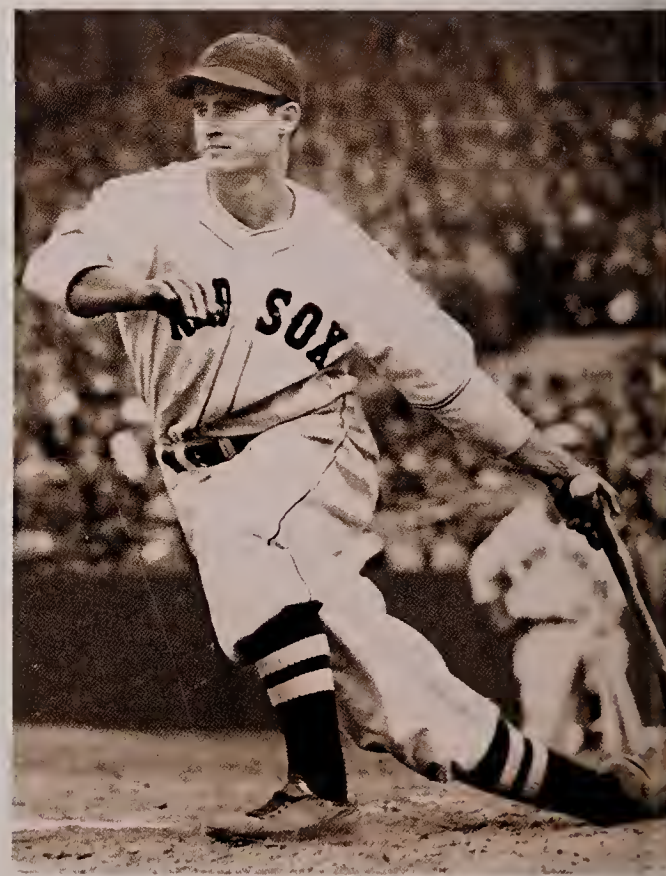
Award Winners: MVP Jimmie Foxx

Hall of Fame Members: SS Joe Cronin; 2B Bobby Doerr; 1B Jimmie Foxx; P Lefty Grove

Top Rookie: 2B Bobby Doerr

Key Deal: Acquired OF Joe Vosmik from St. Louis (A.L.) for P Bobo Newsom, SS Red Kress, and OF Buster Mills (December 2, 1937).

Highlights: Foxx's Fenway hitting included a .405 BA there, and A.L. home park record of 104 RBI, and a Fenway record of 35 HR; team hit seven grand slams (including three by Foxx) — only four Sox teams have hit more; Chapman's .340 BA was best ever by a Sox rightfielder; six of eight regulars hit over .300; Cramer's leadership of the league in at bats would be the first of an A.L. record seven times he would do so; Pinky Higgins collected 12 straight hits over four games, a major league record since tied; team led the league in batting (.299), which would be the first of five straight years they would do so, tying an A.L. record.



Doerr hit .289 in '38



The eights were crazy in '38 when Foxx homered in 8.8% of his plate appearances.

In 1948 the Red Sox set a franchise "crazy" record for "what ifs" and "if onlys." *What if* Boo Ferriss and Tex Hughson had been available all year? *If only* the Sox had gotten off to a better start. *If only* manager Joe McCarthy had reconsidered his pitching choice in the play-off against Cleveland. And *what if* Cleveland shortstop Lou Boudreau had never decided to play baseball for a living? Forty years later, these remain among the most-asked questions in the history of baseball in Boston.

At the end of May, the club was nine games below .500 and 11 1/2 games shy of the lead. A pennant at this juncture seemed out of the question. But the team righted itself and dominated the league with a 43-15 record in June and July to briefly seize first. It was becoming clear that Boston, New York and Cleveland would take this one to the wire. It would be the A.L.'s closest race since 1908.

The Red Sox regained the perch on August 26 and held precariously to the lead for a month as neither of their pursuers fell more than a game or two behind. Potential playoff plans were decided by a coin flip in Chicago, and with the

1948

National League Braves ready to clinch a pennant of their own, Boston was buzzing with the prospect of a "streetcar series."

But the Sox faltered and Cleveland seemed to have things their way before dropping two of their last three games. The Sox responded by sending the Yanks packing with a two game season ending sweep of their series.

The regular season ended in a deadlock and the pennant would be decided by a single playoff game for the first time in history. That coin flip had determined the game would be played at Fenway. There, the Sox were 55-22; they seemed to hold the trump card.

With both pitching staffs worn threadbare by the demands of the previous month's heavy action, speculation centered on who would start on the mound for each contender. Most thought the Sox would go with either Ellis Kinder or Mel Parnell, while Cleveland was expected to counter with Bob Lemon or Bob Feller.

But McCarthy stunned the seers by handing the ball to righthanded swing man Denny Galehouse, hoping to offset

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Cleveland's pronounced righthanded power. Boudreau, the Indians' player/manager, countered with a surprise of his own, choosing to start 19-game winning rookie Gene Bearden. Galehouse hadn't pitched in a week; the knuckleballing Bearden had just one day's rest, but was fresh off two straight shutouts.

Things were settled quickly. Dale Mitchell hit Galehouse's second pitch to the scoreboard for a long out. Two batters later Boudreau took matters into his own hands and smoked a homer into the screen. The Sox tied it immediately, but in the fourth things unraveled.

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Boudreau and Joe Gordon singled and, as Kinder and Boo Ferriss started to loosen in the Sox' bullpen, Boudreau eschewed conventional wisdom that called for a bunt and let Ken Keltner swing away. Swing he did, depositing Galehouse's 2-2 delivery over the Wall.

Cleveland led, 4-1, and cruised behind Bearden and a second Boudreau homer to an 8-3 victory. It was only the fourth time all year a lefty had lasted an entire game against the potent Red Sox. It was, indeed, crazy.



Despite Williams' fourth batting crown, the Sox' pennant hopes in '48 were dashed by the final eight runs scored against them.

1948

Starting Eight: Dom DiMaggio, cf; John Pesky, 3b; Ted Williams, lf; Stan Spence, 1b; Vern Stephens, ss; Bobby Doerr, 2b; Sam Mele, rf; Birdie Tebbetts, c

Record: 96-59, second place, 1 GB Cleveland (lost playoff)

Manager: Joe McCarthy

Top Hitters: OF Ted Williams (25 HR, 127 RBI, .369 BA)
SS Vern Stephens (29 HR, 137 RBI, .269 BA)
2B Bobby Doerr (27 HR, 111 RBI, .285 BA)

Top Pitchers: Mel Parnell (15-8, 3.14 ERA)
Joe Dobson (16-10, 3.56 ERA)
Jack Kramer (18-5, 4.35 ERA)

A.L. Stat Champs: Ted Williams, .369 BA, .615 slug. pct., 126 BB, 44 2B; Jack Kramer, .783 win pct.

Club Records (Still Standing): Most wins by team in a month (25, July); most men left on base by team (1,304); Bobby Doerr, .993 fldg. pct. by 2B; Dom DiMaggio, 503 putouts and 526 total chances by OF.

All-Stars: P Joe Dobson; 2B Bobby Doerr; SS Vern Stephens; C Birdie Tebbetts; OF Ted Williams.

Award Winners: None.

Hall of Fame Members: 2B Bobby Doerr; OF Ted Williams.

Top Rookie: 1B Billy Goodman

1948: HOW CRAZY WAS IT?

It was so crazy that the A.L. title would, for the first time ever, be decided by a single post-season playoff game ... that Ted Williams became the first batter ever to face the same pitcher three times in a single inning (July 4) ... that, in deference to Williams (who bucked team rules by refusing to wear a necktie), manager Joe McCarthy appeared at a Florida hotel in the spring sporting an open-necked shirt ... that a revolutionary concept in sports was introduced to Boston fans with the broadcast of the first game ever televised from Fenway Park.

A typical Red Sox ballclub took the field in 1958: heavy on the hitting, thin on the mound, awesome at Fenway, mediocre on the road. Not that it mattered much. The Yankees started off 22-5, and the race was nine years.

over in May. But that didn't prohibit the Sox from giving their fans the usual generous portions of excitement.

Ted Williams exploded out of one of the worst slumps of his career to win his sixth, and last, batting championship. Pete Runnels hit .322, just six points behind The Splinter. Jackie Jensen was named the A.L.'s MVP with a 35-home run year, including 14 in June, tying Babe Ruth's record for most homers in a month.

On the mound, however, the Sox went through a dozen different starting pitchers in search of the key. They never

As in 1958, the most significant event of the 1968 baseball season for the Red Sox took place away from Fenway Park. This time, it happened on a California mountain near Lake Tahoe.

Well ... it didn't quite happen in '68, rather *eight* days (of course) before the New Year. But when ace pitcher Jim Lonborg fell while skiing, tearing a pair of ligaments in his left knee, the season effectively ended before it began for the Red Sox. The Impossible Dream was over; '68 became a nightmare of injuries.

A so-so start kept the team around .500 until July. Then the Sox went on a tear through mid-August before dropping three critical games to league-leading Detroit and falling out of the race. In retrospect, it was quite an achieve-

found it and settled for a record of four games over .500 and a third place finish. Little did they know that this would be the last winning team Boston would see for

But perhaps the most significant event of the 1958 season transpired with little notice and no fanfare. It would set the stage for that next winning season, the Impossible Dream of 1967. And once again, that old number eight would crop up in a couple of important ways: in a date, and in a dollar figure.

Around the corner from Fenway Park at the Kenmore Hotel on November 28, scout Bots Nikola outbid several other big league clubs and, for \$108,000 signed a 19-year-old shortstop from Long Island named Carl Michael Yastrzemski. The next day, appropriately, was Thanksgiving.

ment to hang in there that long. Crazy things happened along the way to preclude any real chance of contention.

Pitcher Jose Santiago had posted All-Star numbers during the first half, then went down with arm miseries that soon finished his career. Slugging Tony Conigliaro was nowhere to be seen, still recovering from his beaming of a year before. Shortstop Rico Petrocelli sported a sore arm that relegated him to part-time duty much of the season. Lonborg pitched barely over a hundred innings and won but six games.

Though 1968 was the Year of the Pitcher around the majors, the usual thunder resounded in Fenway. Ken "Hawk" Harrelson (35 HR, 109 RBI, .275 BA) had world class numbers and posted his own curious "triple crown":

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Key Deal: Acquired SS Vern Stephens and P Jack Kramer from St. Louis (A.L.) for C Roy Partee, P Jim Wilson, P Al Widmar, OF Eddie Pellagrini, OF Pete Layden, P Joe Ostrowski, and \$310,000 (November 17, 1947).

Highlights: Team had a 13-game winning streak, the second best in team history; Kramer put together a 12-game win streak of his own; Sox twice hit three consecutive homeruns.

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Starting Eight: Don Buddin, ss; Pete Runnels, 1b; Gene Stephens, lf; Jack Jensen, rf; Frank Malzone, 3b; Jim Piersall, cf; Ken Aspromonte, 2b; Pete Daley, c

Record: 79-75, third place, 13 GB New York

Manager: Pinky Higgins

Top Batters: OF Jackie Jensen (35 HR, 122 RBI, .286 BA)
OF Ted Williams (26 HR, 85 RBI, .328 BA)
2B Pete Runnels (8 HR, 59 RBI, .322 BA)

Top Pitchers: Ike DeLock (14-8, 3.38 ERA)
Frank Sullivan (13-9, 3.57 ERA)
Tom Brewer (12-12, 3.72 ERA)

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1958: HOW CRAZY WAS IT?

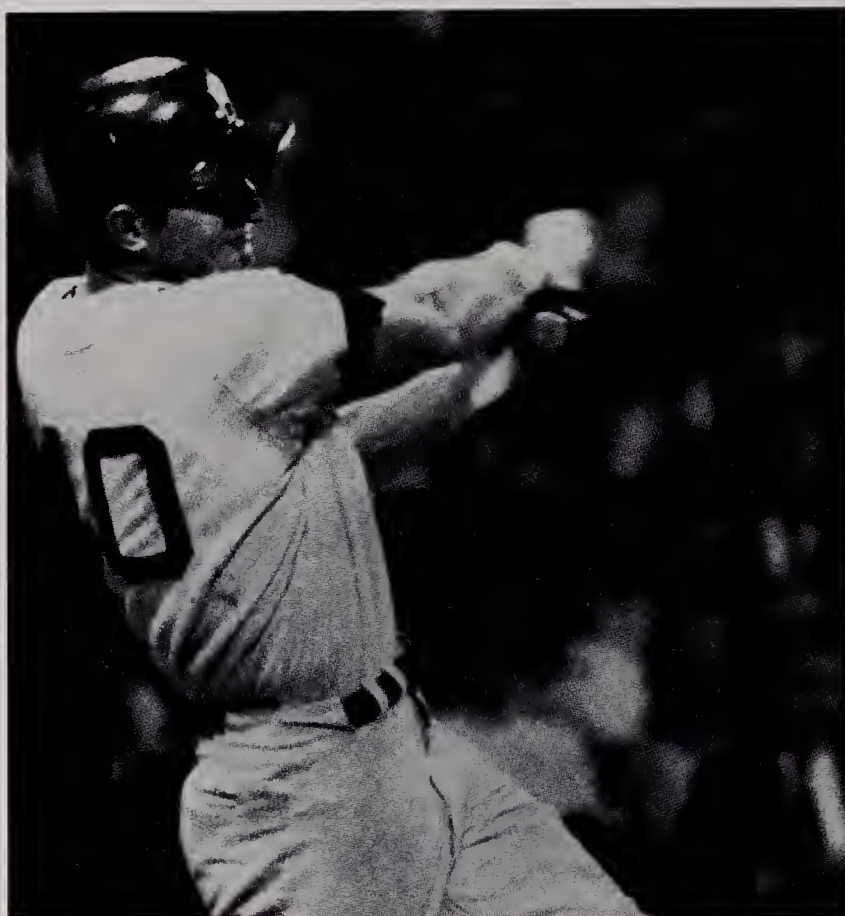
It was so crazy that Ted Williams, who hit .388 in 1957, was sputtering along at just .225 after the first 32 games of the season. But he would recover to become, at age 40, the oldest batting champ in history, swatting .328 ... and that during one game Williams threw both a temper tantrum and his bat, striking a fan in the box seats. The victim turned out to be Mrs. Gladys Heffernan, Joe Cronin's housekeeper. To make amends, Williams sent her a \$500 diamond watch for Christmas.

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most RBI, most media interviews, and most nehru jackets. Carl Yastrzemski supported him with 23 homers, 119 walks, and a league-leading .301 average.

The Sox wound up finishing fourth, 17 games behind Detroit, with a record of 86-76. Probably the best news of the year was the new attendance record set, as 1,940,788 stormed the venerable gates of Fenway.

The Impossible Dream had ended. But the affection it spawned lasts to this day.



In his only full season in Boston, the wild and crazy Harrelson had his "career year."

1978

In 1978 it seemed as if all the heartache, all the disappointment, and all the hard luck that had haunted the Red Sox since 1918 would finally, thankfully, be relegated to the status of ancient history. For the first half of the year at least, Boston no doubt had the best team in baseball.

On July 19 the club was 62-28, the third place Yankees in turmoil some 14 games behind. Jim Rice was leading the universe in everything, while Luis Tiant, Mike Torrez, Dennis Eckersley, and Bill Lee were making the traditional complaints about Sox pitching seem obsolete. Vindication, at last, seemed at hand.

But then things got *out* of hand and new definitions of *crazy* were written. Sox sparkplug shortstop Rick Burleson hurt his ankle sliding on July 9. The team began to ease into its first slump of the season. After hitting the high water mark on the 19th, it lost nine of 10. Amidst the swoon, on the 24th, New York replaced manager Billy Martin with Bob Lemon. Immediately, the Yankees began playing like ... well ... the Yankees.

In Boston, the run of awful luck continued. Carlton Fisk cracked a rib in early August. Second baseman Jerry Remy hurt his wrist and missed 16 games. Dwight Evans' production tailed off after an August 28 beaming. Bone chips in his left elbow made Butch Hobson a hot corner (43 errors) disaster. And even Yaz suffered from back and shoulder mis-

1958

A.L. Stat Champs: Ted Williams, .328 BA; Jackie Jensen, 122 RBI.
Club Records (Still Standing): Frank Malzone, 378 assists and 544 total chances by a 3B.
All-Stars: OF Jackie Jensen, 3B Frank Malzone, OF Ted Williams.
Award Winners: MVP Jackie Jensen; Gold Glove 3B Frank Malzone; Gold Glove OF Jimmy Piersall.
Hall of Fame Members: OF Ted Williams
Top Rookie: P Murray Wall
Key Deal: Acquired 2B Pete Runnels from Washington for OF Albie Pearson and OF Norm Zauchin.
Highlight: Jensen set a club record by hitting 14 homers in a single month (June).

1968

Starting Eight: Mike Andrews, 2b; Dalton Jones, 3b; Carl Yastrzemski, lf; Reggie Smith, cf; George Scott, 1b; Joe Lahoud, rf; Rico Petrocelli, ss; Elston Howard, c
Record: 86-76, fourth place, 17 GB Detroit
Manager: Dick Williams
Top Hitters: OF Carl Yastrzemski (23 HR, 74 RBI, .301 BA)
 OF Ken Harrelson (35 HR, 109 RBI, .275 BA)
 OF Reggie Smith (15 HR, 69 RBI, .265 BA)

1968: HOW CRAZY WAS IT?

It was so crazy that Carl Yastrzemski won the A.L. batting title with a .301 average, the lowest league-leading mark ever to win the crown ... that Yaz became the only Red Sox in history to draw three intentional walks in a single game (April 19) ... and that the team's ERA was still only eighth best out of the 10 A.L. clubs.

eries. The runaway turned into a race.

From mid-July onward the Sox and the Yanks took part in perhaps the longest, most excruciating "playoff series" of all time. What happened in the rest of the baseball world simply didn't matter, as the two teams took dead aim at one another and battled their way through a pack of pretenders toward an inevitable clash of the titans.

Boston took a six and a half game lead into September. A four-game series against New York beginning on the 7th apparently held the key to the pennant.

For four harrowing games at Fenway the Bronx Bombers reenacted the Boston Massacre, outscoring the Sox 42-9. When they left Beantown, Fenway Park was in metaphorical flames and the Sox' lead had been incinerated.

Then, an eerie symmetry gripped the season. Written off by most, the Sox revitalized to win 12 of their last 14, including eight straight at one point. The Yanks, meanwhile, stumbled in Milwaukee and Cleveland during the final week.

On October 1, Luis Tiant faced perhaps his greatest challenge. In what would be his last game in a Boston uniform, El Tiante slammed the door, 5-0, on Toronto, while the Yanks were losing to the Indians.

The Crazy Eights had yielded another tie at the conclusion of the long regular season, *another* single playoff game to decide who would be champion and who would suffer the spoils.

If it is possible for one game to symbolize an entire season and indeed to summarize a decades-long battle between two arch rivals, then the 1978 playoff game was

that contest. It was a replay of the year in miniature, with each pitch and swing resounding with echoes of other Red Sox/Yankee battles through the ages.

In the second inning, Yaz homered off a Ron Guidry slider to give the Sox a 1-0 lead. In the sixth, Burleson doubled and scored on a Rice single. It was July 19 all over again; these Red Sox looked invincible.

But in the seventh, the game turned just as surely as had the season. The Sox had peaked, and the Massacre was acted out one last time.

An inning earlier, the fair wind swirling over Fenway that had blown good fortune the Sox' way most of that season and much of that game, turned foul.

Chris Chambliss and Roy White singled with two outs in the Yankee seventh, then light-hitting shortstop Bucky Dent lofted one into the ill breeze. A simple fly ball was wafted over the Wall for a home run, and the Yankees led suddenly, 3-2. New York scored again in that inning and added another in the eighth on a Reggie Jackson homer before the game took yet another turn into its own September.

The resurrected Red Sox scratched out two runs in the last of the eighth to close the gap to 5-4 and set up the unforgettable (some say inevitable) ninth.

With one out, Burleson singled and Jerry Remy hit a line drive to right that Lou Piniella first lost in the sun, then stabbed blindly on a hop to hold Burleson at second. The craziness had reached epidemic proportions.

A Rice fly ball moved The Rooster to third. With home plate, a tie game and a potential victory just 90 feet away, the man everyone wanted up there stepped to the plate:

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Top Pitchers: Ray Culp (16-6, 2.91 ERA)
Dick Ellsworth (16-7, 3.03 ERA)
Sparky Lyle (6-1, 11 SV, 2.74 ERA)

A.L. Stat Champs: Carl Yastrzemski, .301 BA, 119 BB; Ken Harrelson, 109 RBI; Reggie Smith, 37 2B.

Club Records (Still Standing): Ken Harrelson, 1.000 fldg. pct. by OF.

All-Stars: P Gary Bell; OF Ken Harrelson; P Jose Santiago; OF Carl Yastrzemski.

Award Winners: Gold Glove 1B George Scott; Gold Glove OF Reggie Smith.

Hall of Fame Members: None.

Top Rookie: P Sparky Lyle

Key Deal: Acquired P Ray Culp from Chicago (N.L.) for OF Rudy Schlesinger and cash (November 30).

Highlights: Harrelson became the only Red Sox to hit three consecutive homers in a game (June 14); Culp tossed a one-hitter at the Yanks on September 21, the only safety being a single by Roy White.

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Starting Eight: Jerry Remy, 2b; Rick Burleson, ss; Jim Rice, dh; Carl Yastrzemski, lf; Carlton Fisk, c; Fred Lynn, cf; George Scott, 1b; Dwight Evans, rf; Butch Hobson, 3b

Record: 99-64, second place, 1 GB New York (lost playoff)

Manager: Don Zimmer

1978: HOW CRAZY WAS IT?

It was so crazy that for the second time in league annals, both times involving the Sox, another single playoff game would be needed to determine the A.L. champion ... that on June 15, outfielder Bernie Carbo was sold to Cleveland; on June 16, pitcher Bill Lee cleaned out his locker and quit the team in protest over the exile of his friend; and on June 17, Lee returned ... and that Bucky Dent, well, you know the rest.

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Rice, the '78 A.L. MVP, teamed with two former MVPs - Lynn ('75) and Yaz ('67).

Carl Yastrzemski. Every kid's backyard dream became Yaz' center stage reality.

Rich Gossage missed with ball one, then sent a fastball running on the inside of the plate. Yastrzemski swung, and the ball sailed high above the head of Yankee third baseman Graig Nettles.

When it came down, the game and the Red Sox' baseball year arrived at a final, irrefutable conclusion. Carl Yastrzemski turned toward the dugout of seasons yet to come. On his back was the number *eight*.



What will happen in *this* year of the Crazy Eights? A World Series that no one attends? A quiet signing of a future superstar? Or God forbid, another playoff game?

Is this the year the Red Sox' luck reverses its course?

Will the Sox eat up the frontrunners' 14-game lead and blow by them with a September rush? Will they find themselves, through some stroke of fortune, battering a journeyman spot starter during the title clinching game in October? Will some Sox spray hitter get one up in that fickle Fenway breeze at the critical juncture of a tight game during that late-season must-win series?

Something *crazy* is going to happen in 1988. You can feel it. History portends it. It's in the cards.

Contributing research to this story by Dick Johnson, Bruce Herman, and George Joe.



1978

Top Hitters: OF Jim Rice (46 HR, 139 RBI, .315 BA)
OF Fred Lynn (22 HR, 82 RBI, .298 BA)
C Carlton Fisk (20 HR, 88 RBI, .284 BA)

Top Pitchers: Dennis Eckersley (20-8, 2.99 ERA)
Luis Tiant (13-8, 3.31 ERA)
Bob Stanley (15-2, 10 SV, 2.60 ERA)

A.L. Stat Champs: Jim Rice, 46 HR, 139 RBI, .600 slug. pct., 213 hits, 406 total bases, 15 3B.

Club Records (Still Standing): Jim Rice, 163 games, 406 total bases; Carlton Fisk, 733 putouts and 840 total chances by C; Rick Burleson, .981 fldg. pct. by SS.

All-Stars: SS Rick Burleson; OF Dwight Evans; OF Fred Lynn; 2B Jerry Remy; OF Jim Rice; OF Carl Yastrzemski.

Award Winners: MVP Jim Rice; Gold Glove OF Dwight Evans; Gold Glove OF Fred Lynn.

Hall of Fame Members: None.

Top Rookie: P Jim Wright

Key Deal: Acquired P Dennis Eckersley and C Fred Kendall from Cleveland for C Bo Diaz, P Rick Wise, P Mike Paxton, and 3B Ted Cox (March 30).

Highlights: Rice won two A.L. Player of the Month Awards (May, August), had 69 multiple-hit games, and hit 13 homers in July; the team welcomed its two largest crowds in history to Fenway: 36,388 and 36,296 vs. Cleveland on April 22-23; Yastrzemski completed a streak of 167 consecutive errorless games in the outfield which stretched from July 28, 1976 to April 7, 1978.

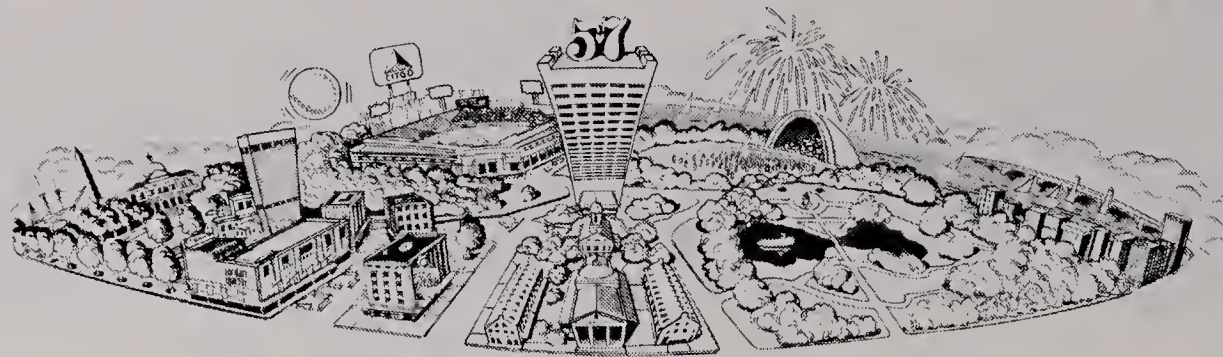
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Manager Ed Nottle

1987 Finish: 73-67 (.521), fourth, 8 GB. **Playoffs:** Lost to Tidewater, 3 games to 1, in semi-finals. **All-Stars:** DH Sam Horn. **Highlights:** Ed Nottle won I.L. Manager of the Year honors for taking team to playoffs despite significant call-ups to Boston ... Team finished second in league in batting (.271), home runs (146), and fielding (.977) ... Sam Horn was second in home runs (30) and fourth in RBI (84) despite playing in just 94 games ... SS Jody Reed was fourth in hits (151) and ninth in batting (.296) ... Gary Miller-Jones led second basemen in fielding (.978) ... RHP Rob Woodward was seventh in ERA (3.51).

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EASTERN LEAGUE (AA)

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P.O. Box 1718, New Britain, CT 06050
(203) 224-8383
Hilary P. Buzas, President
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Manager Dave Holt

1987 Finish: 61-79 (.436), sixth, 27 GB. **Playoffs:** None. **All-Stars:** None. **Highlights:** Injury-plagued pitching staff still ranked third in the E.L. in ERA (4.17) and allowed fewer home runs than any team in the league ... OF Brady Anderson missed over half the season with injuries, but hit .294 with 6 homers, 35 RBI, and 45 walks in 219 at bats ... 1B Jose Birriel hit .292 with 21 doubles, 10 homers and 70 BB, and went 5-2 with a 1.90 ERA when called upon as an emergency pitcher ... 3B Roberto Zambrano hit .289 with 10 triples ... RHP Dana Kiecker ranked eighth in E.L. in ERA (3.82).

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Chain O' Lakes Park (Capacity: 4,487)
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Manager Doug Camilli

1987 Finish: 67-71 (.486), eighth overall; fourth in division (12 1/2 GB). **Playoffs:** None. **All-Stars:** 3B John Toale, OF Jason Jackson. **Highlights:** Team led FSL in home runs (86) ... Jason Jackson ranks fifth in FSL in batting (.310) ... John Toale tied for third in home runs (15) ... Eric Laseke led second basemen in fielding (.979) ... RHP Felix Dedos led league in games finished (50), was second in relief pitcher points (49), and third in games pitched (54).

LYNCHBURG RED SOX

CAROLINA LEAGUE (A)

Lynchburg City Stadium (Capacity: 4,200)
P.O. Box 10213, Lynchburg, VA 24506
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Manager Dick Berardino

Note: Records and statistics below for 1987 are those of the Greensboro Hornets of the South Atlantic League. The team was moved to Lynchburg for the 1988 season.

1987 Finish: 55-85 (.393), 12th overall; 1st half: tie third in division (4 1/2 GB), 2nd half: sixth in division (32 GB). **Playoffs:** None. **All-Stars:** None. **Highlights:** OF Gil Martinez led team in hitting (.278) ... 3B Scott Cooper was club's top power producer with 21 doubles, 15 homers, 63 RBI ... RHP Mike Carista ranked ninth in SAL in ERA (2.89) and fourth in strikeouts ((148) ... RHP Curt Schilling led FSL in strikeouts (189 in 184 innings) and tossed three shutouts.

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Manager Bill Limoncelli

1987 Finish: 26-50 (.342), 11th overall; sixth in division (18 GB) ... **Playoffs:** None. **All-Stars:** None. **Highlights:** OF Mickey Pina led NYP League in slugging (.556), was fourth in home runs (12) and tied for second in game-winning RBI (8) ... OF Bob Zupcic ranked seventh in batting (.303) ... C Craig Wilson hit .322, but fell short of minimum qualification for batting title ... RHP Steve Michael ranked third in strikeouts (96) ... RHP Ronnie Richardson led staff in wins (5) and ERA (3.66).

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1987 FARM SYSTEM STATS

PAWTUCKET INTERNATIONAL LG. (AAA)

BATTERS	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
ANDERSON, BRADY E., OF	.380	23	79	18	30	4	0	2	8	16	8	2	1	.506	.484
BENZINGER, TODD E., OF	.323	65	257	47	83	17	3	13	49	16	41	7	2	.564	.363
BURKS, ELLIS R., OF	.225	11	40	11	9	3	1	3	6	7	1	0	0	.575	.340
CANNIZZARO, CHRIS J., O	.235	95	328	37	77	18	1	5	29	46	41	4	1	.341	.332
DODSON, PATRICK N., 1B	.275	111	367	59	101	15	1	18	72	67	83	4	1	.469	.383
GONZALEZ, ANGEL R., 3B	.400	10	35	4	14	4	0	0	6	3	4	0	1	.514	.447
HOFFMAN, GLENN E., 3B	.231	46	160	18	37	7	0	2	22	14	19	2	0	.313	.307
HORN, SAMUEL L., DH	.321	94	333	57	107	19	0	30	84	33	88	0	0	.649	.389
MARZANO, JOHN R., C	.282	70	255	46	72	22	0	10	35	21	50	2	3	.486	.348
MCINNIS, WILLIAM R., OF	.205	21	78	7	16	5	0	0	5	4	15	2	2	.269	.244
MESH, MICHAEL T., 3B	.198	64	177	22	35	8	2	2	18	17	31	6	4	.299	.276
MILLER-JONES, GARY, 2B	.245	127	420	60	103	15	4	10	60	44	61	8	8	.371	.319
REED, JODY E., SS	.296	136	510	77	151	22	2	7	51	69	23	9	7	.388	.379
ROMINE, KEVIN A., OF	.267	129	491	72	131	24	1	11	52	64	70	21	6	.387	.349
SAX, DAVID J., 3B	.240	85	262	33	63	10	0	10	33	48	42	0	2	.393	.357
SHEAFFER, DANNY T., C	.256	69	242	32	62	13	2	2	25	6	29	6	3	.351	.273
TARVER, LASCELLE, OF	.218	13	55	5	12	1	0	0	5	3	6	1	2	.236	.259
TREMBLAY, GARY E., C	.261	7	23	1	6	0	0	0	1	3	8	0	0	.261	.346
WADE, SCOTT L., OF	.254	108	355	51	90	12	4	16	60	32	123	11	9	.445	.316
WILLIAMS, DANA L., OF	.317	48	189	29	60	10	1	5	23	14	13	6	3	.460	.364

PITCHERS	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	GF	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
ARAUJO, ANAZARIO I.	4-7	3.44	43	5	3	1	21	4	96.2	99	40	37	12	16	43
BOLTON, THOMAS E.	2-1	5.40	5	4	0	0	1	0	21.2	25	14	13	0	12	8
BOYD, DENNIS R.	1-1	4.50	3	3	0	0	0	0	12.0	12	6	6	2	4	8
CURRY, STEPHEN T.	11-12	3.81	28	26	8	1	1	0	184.1	175	85	78	13	74	112
DALTON, MICHAEL E.	1-2	4.16	39	1	0	0	19	2	88.2	83	49	41	10	40	45
DAVIS, CHARLES A.	5-2	4.84	24	9	2	0	4	1	80.0	94	52	43	10	25	50
ELLSWORTH, STEVEN C	11-8	4.29	27	26	5	1	1	0	165.2	182	85	79	19	46	89
GARDNER, WESLEY B.	1-0	3.12	5	0	0	0	4	2	8.2	8	3	3	0	3	9
JOHNSON, MITCHELL D.	2-4	2.82	24	0	0	0	19	8	44.2	38	14	14	6	10	31
LEISTER, JOHN W.	11-5	3.77	21	21	4	1	0	0	145.2	136	69	61	18	52	92
ROCHFORD, MICHAEL J.	8-8	4.58	22	19	3	0	1	0	123.2	144	65	63	19	38	42
SELLERS, JEFFREY D.	3-2	2.37	5	5	1	0	0	0	38.0	36	13	10	1	19	35
STEWART, HECTOR T.	1-7	5.50	52	0	0	0	38	13	68.2	77	43	42	13	24	40
WOODWARD, ROBERT J.	12-8	3.51	21	21	5	0	0	0	138.0	134	65	53	12	62	82

NEW BRITAIN EASTERN LG. (AA)

BATTERS	AVG	G	AB	R	H	2B	3B	HR	RBI	BB	SO	SB	CS	SLG	OBP
ANDERSON, BRADY E., OF	.294	52	170	30	50	4	3	6	35	45	24	7	3	.459	.445
BIRRIEL, JOSE S., 1B	.292	117	390	50	114	21	0	10	57	70	57	1	3	.423	.399
BOCHESA, GREGORY L., C	.302	19	63	8	19	4	0	1	4	10	8	0	3	.413	.429
DEFRANCECO, ANTHONY, C	.244	82	238	16	58	12	0	5	39	32	34	0	4	.357	.338
ESTRADA, A. EDUARDO, 3B	.232	92	293	19	68	11	1	2	31	18	41	3	2	.297	.276
FLORES, JOSE A., 2B	.198	31	96	6	19	1	0	0	6	8	23	0	2	.208	.274
GONZALEZ, ANGEL R., 2B	.300	113	406	57	122	18	0	9	45	46	43	24	9	.411	.369
HAGGERTY, ROGER W., OF	.286	2	7	1	2	1	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	.429	.286
LOTZAR, GREGORY E., DH	.304	57	181	27	55	6	2	1	8	17	16	14	3	.376	.364
MCINNIS, WILLIAM R., OF	.226	100	327	42	74	11	2	0	15	27	7	7	272	.291	
MESH, MICHAEL T., SS	.247	22	77	8	19	3	1	0	4	4	10	1	3	.312	.298
MORITZ, CHRISTOPHER, SS	.292	91	322	64	94	13	5	0	30	28	59	18	8	.363	.352
QUINTANA, CARLOS N., OF	.311	56	206	31	64	11	3	2	31	24	33	3	3	.422	.379
ROBERTS, JOHN E., OF	.277	79	278	20	77	7	0	0	20	20	15	18	7	.302	.325
SCOTT, TARY N., 1B	.249	105	338	35	84	21	0	13	49	20	65	0	0	.426	.297
THOUTSIS, PAUL H., OF	.000	1	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	.000	.000
TOALE, JOHN E., 3B	.212	15	52	4	11	1	0	1	3	4	8	0	0	.288	.268
TREMBLAY, GARY E., C	.207	81	242	20	50	8	1	3	26	14	67	0	1	.285	.247
WILLIAMS, DANA L., OF	.335	78	310	48	104	18	3	3	38	9	16	10	3	.442	.358
ZAMBRANO, EDUARDO J., O	.246	33	118	16	29	11	1	2	11	10	21	1	2	.407	.313
ZAMBRANO, ROBERTO J., 3	.289	131	460	67	133	21	10	6	56	56	70	7	6	.417	.365

PITCHERS	W-L	ERA	G	GS	CG	SHO	GF	SV	IP	H	R	ER	HR	BB	SO
BAST, STEVEN C	9-13	4.46	28	26	6	1	1	1	175.2	183	96	87	13	63	93
BIRRIEL, JOSE S.	5-2	1.90	11	5	5	2	5	1	52.0	45	11	11	0	20	19
BROWN, PAUL K.	0-1	5.96	7	5	0	0	0	0	22.2	21	15	15	2	18	10
CLARKIN, MICHAEL S.	7-7	4.78	44	9	0	0	27	6	111.0	99	65	59	6	66	73
CROUCH, ZACHARY O	6-9	3.90	24	19	5	1	1	0	131.2	129	63	57	9	61	90
DALTON, MICHAEL E	1-0	0.00	4	0	0	0	4	1	5.0	1	0	0	0	2	7
GAKELER, DANIEL M	8-13	4.63	30	25	5	1	3	0	173.0	188	112	89	14	63	90
IRVINE, DARYL K.	4-13	5.31	37	16	3	0	8	0	127.0	156	101	75	7	59	70
KIECKER, DANA E	7-10	3.82	39	17	2	0	18	6	53.0	184	76	65	6	66	66
MANZANILLO, JOSIAS	2-0	4.50	2	2	0	0	0	0	10.0	8	5	1	8	12	
PLYMPTON, JEFFREY H	4-1	3.82	23	6	1	0	7	1	63.2	61	35	27	2	34	60
VASQUEZ, LUIS E	3-2	2.80	10	9	0	0	0	0	61.0	63	23	19	4	19	26
ZUPKA, WILLIAM	5-8	3.72	55	1	0	0	39	5	109.0	101	52	45	5	35	53

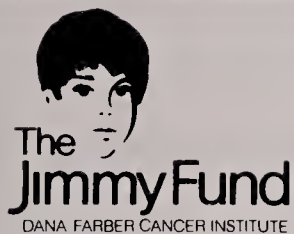
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BOCHESA, GREGORY L., C	.199	55	171	19	34	0	1	2	19	22	26	0	1	.246	.302
BUHLELLER, C. TIMOTHY, O	.207	60	188	35	39	3	0	0	12	35	35	9	3	.223	.330
CAMILLI, KEVIN T., DH	.238	24	63	6	15	1	0	0	6	7	10	0	0	.254	.314
GOFF, MICHAEL R., 2B	.212	31	99	14	21	4	0	2	6	17	19	0	0	.313	.339
HAGGERTY, ROGER W., 3B	.241	84	245	29	59	8	1	10	41	22	51	0	0	.404	.309
ICKES, MICHAEL K., SS	.196	56	143	16	28	6	1	0	13	14	36	0	2	.252	.269
JACKSON, LAVERN L., OF	.310	107	361	57	112	23	2	2	53	55	54	16	12	.402	.400
JOSE, MANUEL E., OF	.252	54	214	42	54	5	3	3	17	34	53	42	11	.346	.349
LASEKE, ERIC A., 2B	.266	116	443	62	118	15	4	5	40	54	52	7	4	.352	.353
MILSTIEN, DAVID M., SS	.221	100	303	35	67	5	0	0	33	12	31	0	1	.238	.250
ORSAG, JAMES R., 1B	.257	94	265	47	68	13	3	4	34	44	70	7	1	.374	.366
PADILLA, LIVIO N., C	.213	37	94	9	20	3	0	2	10	15	27	0	0	.309	.342
PRATT, TODD A., C	.258	118	407	57	105	22	0	12	65	70	94	0	1	.400	.364
SULLIVAN, DANIEL P., 1B	.242	106	339	50	82	14	0	5	46	65	52	4	1	.327	.368
THOUTSIS, PAUL H., OF	.247	105	336	47	83	14	2	7	41	35	50	2	1	.363	.329
TOALE, JOHN E., 3B	.300	98	317	49	95	23	0	15	58	44	54	0	1	.514	.383
WEIDIE, STUART E., OF	.220	101	313	35	69	16	2	6	48	47	108	4	2	.342	.329
ZAMBRANO, EDUARDO J., O	.267	69	225	33	60	16	1	11	32	27	47	1	1	.493	.354

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ABRIL, ERNEST G	1-3	5.22	9	5	0	0	4	0	29.1	34	24	17	0	21	14
BROWN, PAUL K	4-2	3.67	11	7	1	1	3	0	54.0	58	28	22	5	36	40
COFFEY, MICHAEL L	3-9	3.81	40	6	2	0	16	4	106.1	110	60	45	2	51	47
DEDOS, FELIX L	5-7	2.32	54	0	0	0	50	23	89.1	98	34	23	2	38	49
GABRIELE, DANIEL J	13-8	3.42	26	26	6	1	0	0	179.0	164	80	68	10	105	150
GOMEZ, DANA A	1-0	5.12	20	0	0	0	17	0	38.2	53	26	22	7	14	10
HALEY, BART E	0-0	15.00	2	0	0	0	0	0	3.0	6	5	5	0	4	4
HETZEL, ERIC P	10-12	3.55	26	26	11	0	0	0	192.2	186	94	76	6	87	136
LIVERNOIS, DEREK R	7-7	4.92	20	15	2	0	2	0	113.1	133	80	62	5	48	64
LOCKHART, BRUCE R	3-0	6.87	20	1	0	0	11	0	38.0	50	32	29	4	17	11
SHIKLES, LARRY K	12-11	3.63	27	27	9	0	0	0	188.2	204	99	76	5	51	89
SLIFKO, PAUL E	8-12	5.05	28	25	2	0	2	1	149.2	189	98	84	8	60	85

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PITCHERS

No.	Name	B	T	Ht.	Wt.	Born	Birthplace	Residence	1987 Club(s)	W-L	SV	ERA	G	GS	IP
50	Bolton, Tom	L	L	6-3	175	5-6-62	Nashville, TN	Brentwood, TN	Pawtucket	2-1	0	5.40	5	4	21.2
									Boston	1-0	0	4.38	29	0	61.2
23	Boyd, Oil Can	R	R	6-1	160	10-6-59	Meridian, MS	Winter Haven, FL	Pawtucket	1-1	0	4.50	3	3	12.0
									Boston	1-3	0	5.89	7	7	36.2
21	Clemens, Roger	R	R	6-4	220	8-4-62	Dayton, OH	Katy, TX	Boston	20-9	0	2.97	36	36	281.2
53	Curry, Steve	R	R	6-6	217	9-13-65	Winter Park, FL	Bradenton, FL	Pawtucket	11-12	0	3.81	28	26	184.0
28	Ellsworth, Steve	R	R	6-8	220	7-30-60	Chicago, IL	Fresno, CA	Pawtucket	11-8	0	4.29	27	26	165.2
43	Gabriele, Dan	L	R	6-2	190	12-11-66	Detroit, MI	Walled Lake, MI	Winter Haven	13-8	0	3.42	26	26	179.0
44	Gardner, Wes	R	R	6-4	203	4-29-61	Benton, AR	Benton, AR	Pawtucket	1-0	2	3.12	5	0	8.2
									Boston	3-6	10	5.42	49	1	89.2
31	Hetzel, Eric	R	R	6-3	175	9-25-63	Crowley, LA	Crowley, LA	Winter Havn.	10-12	0	3.55	26	26	192.2
47	Hurst, Bruce	L	L	6-3	214	3-24-58	St. George, UT	St. George, UT	Boston	15-13	0	4.41	33	33	238.2
40	Johnson, Mitch	R	R	6-5	218	8-2-62	Columbia, PA	Pawtucket, RI	Pawtucket	2-4	8	2.82	24	0	44.0
22	Leister, John	R	R	6-2	215	1-3-61	San Antonio, TX	Corpus Christi, TX	Pawtucket	11-5	0	3.77	21	21	145.2
									Boston	0-2	0	9.20	8	6	30.1
51	Manzanillo, Josias	R	R	6-0	190	10-16-67	SP de Macoris, DR	SP de Macoris, DR	New Britain	2-0	0	4.50	2	2	10.0
54	Rochford, Mike	L	L	6-4	205	3-14-63	Methuen, MA	S. Burlington, VT	Pawtucket	8-8	0	4.58	22	19	123.2
19	Sellers, Jeff	R	R	6-0	195	5-11-64	Compton, CA	Long Beach, CA	Pawtucket	3-2	0	2.37	5	5	38.0
									Boston	7-8	0	5.28	25	22	139.2
48	Smith, Lee	R	R	6-6	245	12-4-57	Jamestown, LA	Castor, LA	Chicago (NL)	4-10	36	3.12	62	0	83.2
46	Stanley, Bob	R	R	6-4	225	11-10-54	Portland, ME	Wenham, MA	Boston	4-15	0	5.01	34	20	152.2
32	Stewart, Hector	L	L	6-2	210	9-30-63	Ponce, PR	Guaynabo, PR	Pawtucket	1-7	13	5.50	52	0	68.2
42	Trautwein, John	R	R	6-3	195	8-7-62	Lafayette Hills, PA	Barrington, IL	Jacksonville	15-4	8	2.87	56	1	106.2
45	Woodward, Rob	R	R	6-3	212	9-28-62	Hanover, NH	W. Lebanon, NH	Pawtucket	12-8	0	3.51	21	21	136.0
									Boston	1-1	0	7.05	9	6	37.0

CATCHERS

No.	Name	B	T	Ht.	Wt.	Born	Birthplace	Residence	1987 Club(s)	AVG	G	AB	H	HR	RBI	SB
10	Gedman, Rich	L	R	6-0	215	9-26-59	Worcester, MA	Framingham, MA	Boston	.205	52	151	31	1	13	0
20	Marzano, John	R	R	5-11	197	2-14-63	Philadelphia, PA	Philadelphia, PA	Pawtucket	.282	70	255	72	10	35	2
									Boston	.244	52	168	41	5	24	0
29	Sheaffer, Danny	R	R	6-0	185	8-21-61	Jacksonville, FL	Mt. Airy, NC	Pawtucket	.256	69	242	62	2	25	6
									Boston	.121	25	66	8	1	5	0

INFELDERS

No.	Name	B	T	Ht.	Wt.	Born	Birthplace	Residence	1987 Club(s)	AVG	G	AB	H	HR	RBI	SB
17	Barrett, Marty	R	R	5-10	174	6-23-58	Arcadia, CA	Pembroke, MA	Boston	.293	137	559	164	3	43	15
26	Boggs, Wade	L	R	6-2	197	6-15-58	Omaha, NB	Tampa, FL	Boston	.363	147	551	200	24	89	1
27	Dodson, Pat	L	L	6-4	220	10-11-59	Santa Monica, CA	Inglewood, CA	Pawtucket	.275	111	367	101	18	72	4
									Boston	.167	26	42	7	2	6	0
24	Evans, Dwight	R	R	6-3	208	11-3-51	Santa Monica, CA	Lynnfield, MA	Boston	.305	154	541	165	34	123	4
2	Gonzalez, Angel	R	R	5-10	155	10-21-64	Santiago, DR	Santiago, DR	New Britain	.300	113	406	122	9	45	24
									Pawtucket	.400	10	35	14	0	6	0
30	Horn, Sam	L	L	6-5	240	11-2-63	Dallas, TX	Birmingham, AL	Pawtucket	.321	94	333	107	30	84	0
									Boston	.278	46	158	44	14	34	0
7	Owen, Spike	S	R	5-10	167	4-19-61	Cleburne, TX	Austin, TX	Boston	.259	132	437	113	2	48	11
3	Reed, Jody	R	R	5-9	160	7-26-62	Tampa, FL	Brandon, FL	Pawtucket	.296	136	510	151	7	51	9
									Boston	.300	9	30	9	0	8	1
11	Romero, Ed	R	R	5-11	180	12-9-57	Santurce, PR	W. Palm Beach, FL	Boston	.272	88	235	64	0	14	0

OUTFIELDERS

No.	Name	B	T	Ht.	Wt.	Born	Birthplace	Residence	1987 Club(s)	AVG	G	AB	H	HR	RBI	SB
5	Anderson, Brady	L	L	6-1	190	1-18-64	Silver Spring, MD	Poway, CA	New Britain	.294	52	170	50	6	35	7
									Pawtucket	.380	23	79	30	2	8	2
38	Benzinger, Todd	S	R	6-1	185	2-11-63	Dayton, KY	Cincinnati, OH	Pawtucket	.323	65	257	83	13	49	7
									Boston	.278	73	223	62	8	43	5
12	Burks, Ellis	R	R	6-2	188	9-11-64	Vicksburg, MS	Fort Worth, TX	Pawtucket	.225	11	40	9	3	6	1
									Boston	.272	133	558	152	20	59	27
39	Greenwell, Mike	L	R	6-0	195	7-18-63	Louisville, KY	N. Ft. Myers, FL	Boston	.328	125	412	135	19	89	5
55	Kutcher, Randy	R	R	5-11	175	4-20-60	Anchorage, AK	Palmdale, CA	Phoenix	.255	92	349	89	6	52	31
									San Francisco	.188	14	16	3	0	1	1
18	Quintana, Carlos	R	R	6-2	195	8-26-65	Est. Miranda, Ven.	Est. Miranda, Ven.	New Britain	.311	56	206	64	2	31	3
14	Rice, Jim	R	R	6-2	216	3-8-53	Anderson, SC	N. Andover, MA	Boston	.277	108	404	112	13	62	1
16	Romine, Kevin	R	R	5-11	185	5-23-61	Exeter, NH	Sta. Margarita, CA	Pawtucket	.267	129	491	131	11	52	21
									Boston	.292	9	24	7	0	2	0

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No.	Name	B	T	Ht.	Wt.	Born	Birthplace	Residence	1987 Club(s)	W-L	SV	ERA	G	GS	IP	
61	Araujo, Andy	R	R	6-4	180	8-7-62	San Cristobal, DR	San Cristobal, DR	Pawtucket	4-7	4	3.44	43	5	96.2	
56	Crouch, Zach	L	L	6-3	190	10-26-65	Folsom, CA	Rancho Cordova, CA	New Britain	6-9	0	3.90	24	19	131.2	
58	Gakeler, Dan	R	R	6-6	210	5-1-64	Mt. Holly, NJ	Burlington, NJ	New Britain	8-13	0	4.63	30	25	173.0	
15	Lamp, Dennis	R	R	6-3	215	9-23-52	Los Angeles, CA	Cohasset, MA	Tacoma	1-0	0	2.92	6	0	12.1	
									Oakland	1-3	0	5.08	36	5	56.2	
41	Smithson, Mike	L	R	6-8	215	1-21-55	Centerville, TN	Bellview, TN	Portland	2-3	0	4.97	6	6	38.0	
									Minnesota	4-7	0	5.94	21	20	109.0	
No.	Name	B	T	Ht.	Wt.	Born	Birthplace	Residence	1987 Club(s)	AVG	G	AB	H	HR	RBI	SB
59	DeFrancesco, Tony	R	R	5-11	190	4-24-63	Bronx, NY	Monsey, NY	New Britain	.244	82	238	58	5	39	0
52	Miller-Jones, Gary	S	R	6-0	160	8-1-61	Hyannis, MA	Centerville, MA	Pawtucket	.245	127	420	103	10	60	8
57	Tremblay, Gary	R	R	6-2	200	8-2-62	Albany, NY	Rensselaer, NY	Pawtucket	.261	7	23	6	0	1	0
									New Britain	.207	81	242	50	3	26	0

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